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1984 (spring)

catalogue

#7162 - #<sup>7229</sup>~~7216~~

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11 km NNE outlet Lago Nahuel Huapi, neuquen

April 22

7162 ♀ Reithrodon

intest. with scars; mammary tissue

218 x 77 x 31 1/2 x 26 79g.

7163 ♀ Abrodon longipilis

intest. with scars.

169 x 65 x 23 x 15 1/2 32g.

April 24

7164 ♂ Ctenomys sp.

caught Apr. 21, killed April 24.

254 x 67 x 32 x 6 195g. T9, SV10, very thin not breaking

12 km W Bariloche, Rio Negro

May 4

7165 ♀ Elgmodontia

lactating

163 x 80 x 22 x 16 23g.

7166 ♂ "

142 x 65 x 23 x 15 15g. T3mm white

7167 ♂ "

160 x 80 x 21 x 15 17g. T2mm

7168 ♀ "

152 x 76 x 22 x 15 16g. multifo.

7169 ♂ also oliv.

155 x 76 x 22 x 14 18g. T5, post active

7170 ♂ " "

149 x 64 x 21 x 13 15g. T4mm

7171 ♀ Ctenomys haigi

210 x 70 x 34 x 5 118g. multifo.

7172 ♂ also oliv.

138 x 66 x 24 x 16 14g. T3 white

7173 ♀ " "

147 x 62 x 22 x 15 13g. multifo.

7174 ♀ " "

162 x 72 x 24 x 15 18g. int. scars, parous

7175 ♂ Abrodon pantherinus?

139 x 57 x 21 x 15 14g. T4mm.

7176 ♂ Elgmodontia

161 x 81 x 24 x 17 15g. T3mm.

7177 ♂ " "

154 x 73 x 22 x 15 13g. T4mm.

7179 Oryzomys

7180

7175 + 7177 saved for MVZ; others to INVAP

Cerro Jones, 15 km ENE Bariloche, Rio Negro

May 8

skull only

7181 Eumomys sp.

In owl pellet picked up April 22.

Complete pellet with fur etc, hence recent

INVAP







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4 km N Bridge over Collon Cura, Neuguen

May 9

7182 *Eligmodontia* 205 x 111 x 26 x 19 21 1/2 g. Testis 2 1/2 pairs SV 3 mm

7183 *Phyllotis darwini* 243 x 115 x 29 x 27 58 g.

2 km N Bridge over Collon Cura, Neuguen

7184 ♂ *Eligmodontia* 172 x 93 x 23 x 19 1/2 20 g. T4 SV3 post-breeding

7185 ♂ *Phyllotis darwini* 219 x 109 x 28 x 28 45 g. T5, SV3, testis yellow, post-bred

7186 *Eligmodontia* see Pedersen catalog

7187 " " " "

7188 " " " "

2 km N Bridge over Rio Collon Cura, Neuguen

7189 ♂ *Abodon iniscatus* [167] x [60] x 22 x 13 1/2 27 g. T5 flabby SV5

2 km N Bridge over Rio Collon Cura

7190 ♂ *Eligmodontia* 185 x 102 x 23 x 18 16 g. T.4 post comp.

7191 ♂ " 169 x 88 x 22 x 18 15 1/2 g. T:4

7192 ♂ " 157 x 83 x 22 x 16 1/2 12 g. T:3

May 10

7193 ♀ " 175 x 93 x 23 x 18 15 g. nullip.

7194 ♀ " 187 x 91 x 24 x 18 21 scars with uterus

2 km N Bridge over Rio Collon Cura

7195 ♀ *Abodon iniscatus* [158] x [58] x 21 x 13 30 g. caught May 9 during day with scars

8 km WNW Comallo, Rio Negro

May 15

7196 ♂ *Phyllotis* 233 x 119 x 30 x 27 48 g. testis 4 mm

Campo Fiestuladas, INTA, Pilemyn Vieja

7197 ♂ *Eligmodontia* 162 x 79 x 23 x 16 17 g. testis < 3 mm.

7198 ♀ " 146 x 75 x 22 x 15 12 1/2 g. nullip.







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WSW  
8 km WNW Emella, Rio Negro

may 18

caught may 15

7199 ♂ *Phyllotis darwini* 224 x 107 x 27 x 26 48g. testes small

collected may 16

7200 *Lestodelphis* (from owl pellet)

7201 ~~murina~~ " " "

7202 " juv. " " "

7203 " " " " "

7204 " " " " "

7205 " " " " "

7206 " " " (pelvis and long bones only)

7207 " " " " " " "

7208 *Abodon longipilis* " " "

Cerro Leones, 15 km ENE Bariloche, Rio Negro

may 22

? longipilis?

uterus with scars.

7209 ♀ *Abodon* ? *occidentalis*? 155 x 61 x 21 x 14 25g.

uterus thin, vascular.

7210 ♀ *Abodon partha* 153 x 58 x 21 x 16 19½g.

uterus thin, no scars, pelvis open

7211 ♀ *Elegmodontia* 168 x 80 x 22 x 16 19g.

7212 ♂ *Abodon partha* 138 x 51 x 20 x 14 16½g. testes 4 mm, fleshy.

may 23

7213 ♂ *Elegmodontia* 149 x 73 x 22 x 15 14g. testes 2½ white

uterus thin

7214 ♀ " 152 x 76 x 22½ x 14 15g. no scars.

7215 ♂ " 150 x 71 x 23 x 14½ 19½g. testes 2½, white, much fat.

7216 ♂ " 155 x 77 x 23 x 15 16½g. " " "







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apr. 20 arrived Barilecho 2 pm. Sunny, about 15° C. Poflanc mostly over, willows just turning, Ranunculus with red fruits. The plane did a loop up Lago Triful, then across to Villa Angostura, then back down Lake Nahuel Huapi to land toward the east.

None of this higher than Cullen Manguano mountains, no snow on them, the loma not very colorful. Lots of open grass and bare on top of Cullen Manguano. There are more houses near Villa Angostura than you realize from the road. The houses and grass quite dead-looking.

April 21. Javier Perez Calvo came by. Says his also longi on trap lines have ranges of 100 to 150 m. Rappoport is teaching biogeography at the university, Felipe Valverde still "flying". Got car running (battery dead) and took off at 2:30 for Limay Valley. Stopped at the place where we found the dead harón and trapped for two last fall; set 6 steel traps there in what looked like old two holes. Some of them were plugged with <sup>cut</sup> grass; no fresh earth. Reithrodon droppings. Then drove down the valley to the Rio Cullen Manguano, took photos. Alicura Reservoir is filled.

Then drove back to the two traps at 6:45 pm. One two in the last trap, alive. <sup>chirped</sup> Squealed and squealed rather than grunted. Not hoigi. The vegetation is bunch grass, small composites (Seneio), a few reneo,





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Camped by the Limay River near La Sifala. Saw good, active leaf-cutter ants between the hanging bridge and La Sifala. They were carrying green leaves.

April 22 <sup>Sunday, Easter</sup> night started out clear clear, then partly cloudy; no wind. Heavy frost on car and sleeping bag. Stars still out at 7 a.m. Car barely started.

Picked up the 6 steel traps at 9 a.m.: 1 also large and 1 *Rattus*. The latter was entering the burrow from which I removed the two yesterday evening.

This locality is on the west side of the paved road from Bariloche to Confluencia, a few hundred meters north of the entrance to a fancy new house (Belgian owner of the estancia?), or 6.8 km north of the gate to Est. Fortin Chacabuco, or 9.5 km north of the road junction to Villa Angostura. This same locality was called 10 km NNE Nahuel Huapi Dec. 10, 1983.

Then drove ~~to~~ back toward Bariloche to where the new gas/pipeline is being buried. Beautiful bulldozed strip across the step; goes south of Cerro Goeves and then across Est. San Ramón toward Vilcanuyen. Will try to find out if they are still bulldozing to the east.

April 23 Bariloche. Picked up about 3 qtrs of new <sup>and</sup> pellets at Cerro Goeves. Javier Perez who came last night with data from live trapping on Cerro Otto. Numerous recaptures of *cho*, *Loxia*, some >100m. also a few captures of *culicivora* and *Chelonyx* and maybe *Geopelia*.

Did errands around town. an engineer with Gas del Estado





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Cowl/pellet from Cervo Jones, April 22, 1984

Entire/pellets:

- |     |   |      |  |
|-----|---|------|--|
| 1.  | 1 yg ad. <i>Auliscomys</i>  | 26   | 2 also longi<br>1 juv <i>Reithro</i>                           |
| 2   | 1 also longi<br>1 also <i>Reithro</i>                                 | 27   | (1 <i>Eligmo</i><br>1 also longi<br>2 juv. <i>Auliscomys</i> ) |
| 3.  | 1 ad. <i>Auliscomys</i>   | 28.  | 1 yg <i>Reithro</i><br>1 also longi                            |
| 4.  | 2 <i>Oryz</i>   | 29   | 1 old <i>Auliscomys</i><br>1 also longi<br>2 <i>Oryz</i>       |
| 5.  | 3 also longi  | 30   | 2 also longi   |
| 6.  | 1 <i>Oryz</i><br>2 also longi   | 31   | 1 <i>Oryz</i><br>1 also <i>Reithro</i>                         |
| 7   | 1 juv <i>Reithro</i>  | 32   | 1 ad <i>Reithro</i>  |
| 8   | 1 old <i>Auliscomys</i><br>1 baby <i>Auliscomys</i> sp.               | 33   | 3 also longi<br>1 also <i>Reithro</i>                          |
| 9   | 2 <i>Eligmo</i> (1 ad, 1 old)<br>1 also longi                         | 34   | 1 ad <i>Auliscomys</i>   |
| 10  | 1 <i>Oryz</i><br>1 old <i>Auliscomys</i>                              | [35] | no skull   |
| 11  | 2 yg ad <i>Auliscomys</i><br>1 juv. <i>Reithro</i>                    | 36   | 1 also longi   |
| 12  | 1 old <i>Auliscomys</i>   | [37] | no skull   |
| 13  | 1 <i>Auliscomys</i>   | 38   | 1 juv <i>Reithro</i><br>1 also longi                           |
| 14  | 1 young <i>Reithro</i>  | 39   | 2 <i>Eligmo</i>  |
| 15  | 1 ad <i>Auliscomys</i><br>1 also longi                                | 40   | 1 also longi<br>1 juv <i>Reithro</i>                           |
| 16  | (2 juv <i>Reithro</i><br>2 also longi (1 very old)<br>2 <i>Oryz</i> ) | 41   | 2 <i>Oryz</i><br>1 also longi                                  |
| 17. | 2 also longi<br>1 <i>Eligmo</i><br>4 <i>Oryz</i>                      | 42   | 1 juv. <i>Reithro</i><br>1 also longi                          |
| 18  | 1 yg <i>Reithro</i><br>2 <i>Oryz</i>                                  | 43   | 2 also longi   |
| 19  | 2 ad <i>Auliscomys</i>  | 44   | 1 old <i>Auliscomys</i><br>1 also longi<br>1 <i>Eligmo</i>     |
| 20  | 1 <i>Oryz</i>   | 45   | 1 <i>Oryz</i><br>2 also longi                                  |
| 21  | 1 yg <i>Reithro</i><br>1 ad <i>Auliscomys</i>                         | 46   | 1 also longi (small pellet)<br>1 ad. <i>Auliscomys</i>         |
| 22  | 1 <i>Oryz</i><br>1 also longi   | 47   | 1 also longi   |
| 23  | 1 ad <i>Auliscomys</i><br>1 juv. <i>Auliscomys</i>                    | 48   | 1 ad <i>Auliscomys</i> sic                                     |
| 24  | 1 also longi  | 49   | 1 <i>Oryz</i><br>1 also longi                                  |
| 25  | 1 also longi  | 50   | 1 <i>Eligmo</i> (old)<br>2 juv. <i>Reithro</i>                 |
|     |   | 51   | 1 <i>mus</i><br>2 also longi                                   |





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# Owl Pellets from Cave Jones (cont.)

- 52 2 abo longi  
1 abo longi old
- 53 1 Oryz. yg  
1 aulisco juv.
- [54] no skull
- 55 1 Oryz  
1 abo longi
- 56 2 aulisco (1 old, 1 yg)  
2 abo longi (1 old 1 yg ad.)  
1 aulisco juv
- 57 2 abo longi (1 ad, 1 old)
- 58 2 aulisco (1 ad, 1 juv)
- 59 2 juv aulisco  
1 Oryz  
1 abo longi
- 60 2 abo fantha (Pellet very small)
- 61 { 1 abo longi ad.  
1 Oryz ad  
1 Eligma old  
1 aulisco ad.
- 62 1 ad aulisco
- 63 1 ad Oryzomys
- 64 1 yg ad aulisco
- 65 { 1 Oryz old  
1 aulisco yg ad.  
1 Geopus
- 66 1 abo longi (small pellet)<sup>ad.</sup>
- 67 1 old aulisco
- 68 1 ad. aulisco
- [69] no skull
- 70 1 Eligma  
1 abo longi
- 71 1 Oryzomys
- 72 1 Oryz.
- 73 1 aulisco ad.

## Partial Pellets

- aulisco 111 111 1 = 11
- abo longi 111 111 11 = 12
- abo fantha 111 1 6
- Oryz 111 11 8
- Eligma 11 2
- Rathra 11 3
- Geopus 1 1

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## Total of complete pellets:

- aulisco 35
- abo longi 52
- Oryzomys 29
- Eligma 9
- Rathra 14
- Geopus 1
- Rattus 1
- Spermomys 1
- Chelomys 1
- Emmomyz 1
- mus 1

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says that bulldozing is completed between here and  
Piscanigen then Paso de Flores, but that it is  
still going on along the Collon Cua. Michael Christie  
returned today via the Collon Cua and saw bulldozing  
in several places and followed one <sup>briefly</sup> looking for animals.  
Didn't notice Chimangos.

April 24 Tuesday Bariloche. Temp this morning  $-5^{\circ}\text{C}$ , met  
Sigfrido Rubiera on the street. He says that last summer  
there were some patches of bamboo flowering at Lago  
Jacob (near Refugio Jacob). Out at INTA were Susan  
and her brother Bonito and a new girl Nora working on  
diet of Elk and Guavacoe and sheep. One of their people  
said that the Electricity Coop is going to run a high  
tension line from Abasco to INVAP to Bariloche.  
Went to see a technical man at the Coop who said they  
have not learned yet when the work will start.  
He is going to meet with the contractor Friday morning.

met Dicky Ojeda and 9 others on the sidewalk,  
all here for the National Park workshop. One person from  
the local Parque Intendencia doesn't believe that the  
mice increase following the flowering of the bamboo;  
instead, the mice just become more visible!

April 25. Left Bariloche at 9:30 to follow bulldozers along the  
Collon Cua, just before <sup>valued Huapi</sup> ~~Collon Cua~~ saw a road scraper  
scrapping a nice stand of tussock grass, navao, and  
loamy (Suaeda?). He was being attended by about  
20 Chimangos. I followed him for about 300 yards





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and saw nothing. He even dug out a couple of big clumps of *Espeira negra* - still nothing. Did I see the chivarras catch anything big, maybe worms or bugs?

Then stopped at the two place 11 km NNE of the outlet of Lago Huelmo. There are two diggings also across the highway. Bulldozers were working in the Collon Cera Valley. The bulldozing part of the gas pipe line seems to be all done from the lower part of the Collon Cera Valley all the way to the divide between San Rincón and Junín de los Andes (where I am camped between the road and pipe line ditch). One of the engineers said that they are progressing about 1 km per day down the Collon Cera Valley. I stopped near the Wood's Estancia and walked about 200 m of ditch looking for animals in it. Nothing. Clear all day, windy. Camped on the divide between San Rincón and Junín de los Andes (which is almost Junín).

April 26 Night clear, cold, breezy. Drove through Junín to San Martín. A smaller pipe line is being installed here also and is almost completed. Then up the hill towards Villa Argentina. Numerous stops for photos (gorgeous autumn leaves). At several stops out of San Martín there were two diggings; heard none. Sunny all day. Camped at Lago Falkner. West of





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the slopes from San Martin to here have  
little or no N. douglasii (continue).

April 27 Night clear. Traffic in car froze almost solid. Battery  
down again, car wouldn't start. Three burly came by  
about 9:30 and pushed. Drove slowly south to Villa Angostura  
(4:30 p.m.) with many stops for photos. Am impressed again  
with the abundance of Viñe and Larga compared to Coides.  
Good estratification visible by colors at this time, is  
between Falkner and Pichi Tafel. Bariloche 7 p.m. Picked  
up 2 hitchhikers, Nora? and Pocho, who are tour guides and  
know everybody in Pargues etc. A few Perberia darwini in flower.

April 28 Yellow jacks clear and on the balcony while  
I was away. They are still flying. New snow on Cerro Lopez.  
Went up to Refugio Niemeyer (almost) in the afternoon  
(sunny all day, no clouds). All sorts of wood-cutters  
removing dead stuff including at least 4 city of Bariloche  
big dump trucks making several trips with firewood. Autumn  
colors just right.

April 29 Chalkraco in the morning to photo Larga along the  
flat part of the road. ~~a~~ superintendent says the  
municipality is running the project to gather fire wood for  
"the huinculos". Four big dump trucks packed with workers  
went up the road. They are "clearing up" wood within  
100 m of the road.

In the afternoon had tea with the Rapaports, then with  
Hilda Rumbold and Terry Wesley. He is fixing up a weekend  
house across the Zuvay at La Zibela, approachable by rowboat.





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April 30 Bariloche. Rain all day, still no Cedula at the Registro Civil. Neuer Bouma and a CONICET becasio Adrian Monjeau came by at 5:30, Adrian worked with Kravetz and with the Zagostomer chicas. He knew Dr. Vengaro and had hiked and camped in the Glaciar Esperanza-Bio Turbio region where the mice frozen in the glaciers were seen by Vengaro. A huffy type living in a cabin in the area knew about the mice also but apparently didn't know an exact location. Adrian is going to study mouse populations in the steppes of Campo Avelo in Pidea and left his study plans for me to look over. Then at 9:30 Michael Christie came with Ellen Pedersen. She is helping with the collecting of data in the vertebrate inventory.

May 1 Fiesta, cloudy, new snow on mountains. Felipe Volwerde came to discuss his Alidon project.

May 2 Raining all day. Drove to the Collón Cura Valley. Willows bright yellow along the Limay. The bulldozers are working 13 km above the little house in the willows, not much progress since last week. They were working in a sparse, sterile wheat field. I searched for about 10 minutes; nothing, no chimangos. They have 5 more km of wheat field to go, then 8 km of fairly good habitat. The men still say about 1 km per day. They had unearthed an Indian clay pot (broken) about 5 qts.

Searched for pellets under the cliff near the





bridge over the Elbow River. Found only two quarts  
old pellets, but still lots of bones lying on the  
ground. Picked up 4 Microtus, 4 Peromyscus,  
3 Phyllotis, and some unfamiliar Chodura and <sup>Chelomys?</sup> Colony?  
Dinner with Christie.

May 3 INTA in morning. Took Elgueta MS to Susan & Javier,  
and discussed mouse project with Adrian Monjean. In  
afternoon put 32 MS and 32 Shermans in the  
"stepps" habitat at the rock track <sup>12 km</sup> ~~10 km~~ west of  
town (with Ellen Pedersen). She & Christie will  
pick them up tomorrow. Day mostly cloudy and  
cold windy.

May 4 Cloudy, some drizzle, then rain. The traps (32 MS  
and 32 Shermans) held 6 Elgueta, 2 Oryz, 5 cho oliv,  
and 1 cho? <sup>olivaceus</sup> fontana? Plus 1 Chelomys in the 1 macabee.  
5 of the 14 mice were in Shermans (some of each). Lots  
of sprung MS. Spent day skinning, then to Hilda's  
to see about taking Sambo to Wood's.

May 5 Bariloche. Cold, clear all day. Went down to Confluencia  
saw Peludo cross the road near Zupda. about 10  
Condors over Tehuel Malal. Picked up about  
2 quarts of large pellets at the Tehuel Malal cliff,  
mostly under the mountain tree at the base of the cliff.  
Didn't pick up any loose bones; everything with fur.  
Saw a few cold yellow footprints along the Guaya.

May 6 Bariloche. Drove Hilda and Sambo to the Wood's at  
La Ramonada. Bulldozers and roadcrafs were





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horned owl pellets from Tahuel malaf  
may 50

- Complete/pellets
- (1) 1 Oryzomys ad,  
2 Oryz.
  - (2) 1 also oliv.  
1 also fontho
  - (3) 3 Oryzomys.  
1 also longi
  - (4) 1 auliscus adult  
1 auliscus ad.
  - (5) 1 Eligmodontia sic
  - (6) 1 yg ad Reithrodon
  - (7) 1 Tremomys  
1 auliscus old.
  - (8) 4 Oryz.
  - (9) 1 old auliscus
  - (10) 1 Oryz  
2 birds  
1 old auliscus
  - (11) 1 ad Oryz.  
1 old Oryz
  - (12) 1 old also longi
  - (13) 1 Oryz.  
1 old Reithro
  - (14) 1 Tremomys.  
2 also longi  
1 Oryz
  - (15) 1 ad Oryz  
1 old also longi
  - (16) 1 yg ad Reithro
  - (17) 1 old old also longi  
2 juv. Reithro
  - (18) 1 old old Oryz.
  - (19) 1 ad auliscus
  - (20) 1 Tremomys ad
  - (21) 1 old old auliscus
  - (22) 1 Oryz  
1 Eligmodontia
  - (23) 1 juv auliscus
  - (24) 1 Oryz
  - (25) 1 Oryz
  - (26) 1 old old also longi  
1 old also longi
  - (27) 1 old Oryz.
  - (28) 1 Eligmodontia
  - (29) 1 ad. auliscus
  - (30) 1 ad Tremomys.
  - (31) 1 Oryz.
  - (32) 1 old old auliscus  
1 ad auliscus } not a big pellet.
  - (33) 1 also longi
  - (34) 1 yg ad also longi
  - (35) 1 old old auliscus
  - (36) 1 also fontho
  - (37) 1 old Reithro.
  - (38) 1 yg ad also longi  
1 old Oryz
  - (39) 1 ad. Reithro
  - (40) 2 old auliscus
  - (41) 1 ad auliscus
  - (42) 1 old Oryz.
  - (43) 1 old old auliscus
  - (44) 3 also longi (1 ad, 2 old)  
1 auliscus adult
  - (45) 2 ad Oryzomys.
  - (46) 1 yg Reithro
  - (47) 1 yg also longi  
1 juv Reithro  
1 old auliscus
  - (48) 1 ad Oryzomys
  - (49) no skull
  - (50) 1 ad also longi
  - (51) no skull
  - (52) 1 ad auliscus





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owl pellets from Tahuel malsal may 5 (cont.)

<u>complete pellets:</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>partial pellets:</u>
auliscomys	19	(29)	III+ III
akodon longi	13	(17)	IIII
Oryzomys	27	(33)	III+ I
Reithrodon	9	(14)	III
akodon kenthos	2	(3)	I
Irenomys	4	(4)	
chelonomys		(1)	I
Bird	2	(3)	I
akodon oliv.	1	(1)	
Eliurus	3	(3)	
		(108)	

note no tucos, note Eliurus





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working in good habitat 3.6 km above the little house in the willows. Followed the scraper making a fresh cut in bunchgrass/scrub for about 100 yards. Nothing. The driver said he sees a couple of mice per day.

Jim Wood showed me his almond orchard with lots of mouse - nibbled almonds under the trees, up in the trees, and in the weeds away from the trees. He sees mice in the daytime up in the trees, also a chunky mouse on the ground. Part of his problem is that he fertilized the trees and this caused a heavy crop of weeds such as sweet clover (no grazing in the orchard). He does not seem to have traps - traps. Does have deer. Met the son Walter and daughter-in-law Jane, both civil engineers. Day mostly sunny, drizzly in evening.

May 7 Barulabo. Mostly clear, windy. Javier Puntheri came to talk about his thesis problem - anonymous. Doesn't seem to have made much progress, and didn't think my suggestion for measuring biomass of the rhizomes was practical because he doesn't have a team to help him nor transport!

May 8 To Colón Cueva with Ellen Pedersen. Stopped at the two place 7 km beyond the Fortín Chacabuco gate and found another!! Squashed Galictes there, 15 km up the Colón Cueva. The road scraper was mired in a mallow. One of the men, who seemed to be a good informant, said





they had recently cut through an out-meat (log-cutter) and that down below the nest was a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  meter snake. He was not impressed with number of mice uncovered.

We stopped at 8.5 km <sup>by road = 7 km N. desert</sup> about the bridge, where there is a rocky knoll, and put traps out among the rocks and across the desert, which is quite sandy and contains *cola de pueri*, *serapiella*, *Seneio subulatus*, *beardgrass*, *Seneio malizi*, and (nearby) *mata torcida*! just like the *Conalla bajada*. I put 18 Sherman and 25 MS; Ellen put 19 Sherman and 32 MS.

Then drove down to the owl cliffs where I put 7 steel traps for quinea pigs in sandy hummocks with big *Seneio subulatus*, between the road and the river. Lots of digging, carnivore tracks, a few big rodent tracks, but no *caviomorph* droppings. also about 6 MS. Then put 15 cage traps along the bottom of the owl cliff and a spring at the NW end of the cliff. Saw *marmosa*-like droppings there. Ellen put 20 MS and 19 Sherman.

Camped out in the flats among big *Seneio*. Put 6 more traps in a rock outcrop around camp.

may 9

night clear, calm, no frost. The 6 traps around camp held 2 big *Phyllotis* (one of them giving birth) and one big pale *Elysiastota* at the cliff (2 km N), 1 *marmosa* and 1 *Phyllotis*, across the road in steel traps 1 *Abro.* *sinuatus*. In the rocks and





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desert at 7 km were 5 Eligmodontia and 1 Phyllotis. Stopped  
at the little house in the willows to photo; the desert there  
was full of mouse tracks, probably Eligmodontia. Not as many  
tracks at 7 km. Skinned and rebaited same 2 lizards.

May 10

Camped at Colón Cura (site of balear). Night  
clear, calm. Water jug froze partially. my line in  
the desert at 7 km N (+ rocks) caught only 1 Eligmodontia.  
Ellen's line caught 3 Eligmodontia. Small fox with very  
large black tail tip was competing with chinchillas,  
caracaras, agoutis, and black vultures for a rabbit  
at about 20 km N of the bridge.

my line at the base of the cliff (2 km N) and around the  
spring (Sorex subulatus) caught nothing. across the  
road in sandy " " only one bird  
in the 7 steel traps and 6 or 8 M.S. Ellen's line had  
a Furcifer, cecropia like with spring tail.

The road scraper was still mired in the morning,  
but they pulled it out at noon, but apparently needed  
repairs and was not going to work today. Various drivers  
agree that they don't see many animals. One  
said the sandy areas were best.

Home at 2 pm and finished skinning. I was impressed  
at how much the vegetation of the lower Colón Cura is like the  
Cerro Cajón: Sorex subulatus, Eligmodontia integer, Peromyscus,  
Stipa, Sesuvium (only a few). Also a few very stout Ephedra  
and a very stout Colletia. The Eligmodontia are pale and long-  
tailed, the Akodon imixtus bigger than fourthornus. The





marmosa was very fat-tailed. It might have been too cold to catch many marmosa; surely that spring surrounded by bushes at km 2 would be a good place for them. I could find no trace of quinea pigs.

may 11 Parícut, car being serviced. Sunny, Frogs at night.

may 12 Ice on windshield. Dinner last night with Sallopins. Raig has accepted Directorship of the museum in B.A. Is planning to support a corp of researchers in CONICET. Sunny all day. Drove to the Genay hanging bridge. 3 squashed hares, (more than on previous trips). Saw 16 quacueros at 10km NNE Uahual Huapi.

may 13<sup>14</sup> morning clear, cool, windy. Left with Adrian Morizán for Campo anexo. Talked briefly with Don Juan, then looked at the eye sources and the grids all don't name. Then drove to the Cusillo Bajada and put 11 cage traps at the two rocky places for Phyllotis and Eumomys. Ramón, the prestero there, says he hears ones at night but doesn't know where they roost.

Then put 4 lines of traps at the NE corner of the INTA property. Adrian and I each put a line of 20 (alternating Sherman and MS) in the Campo Fistulada, which hasn't been grazed for a year or more (Don Juan) and is probably the least-grazed part of INTA (Bomiro). also lines of 20 each in the Campo Antiguero just across the fence. Bomiro says heavily grazed, It does look a little sparser, less tall Festuca. Both are essentially Stipa/neco with a smattering of Senecio + adlesmia.





Then drove to Cañadon Bonto and set two transects; one down the hill and across the clausura (adrian) and one down the hill and across the grazed mallow (mine). Clear cold & windy. Camped next to the clausura.

May 15

night mostly windy, partly clear, no ice. Since in the Cañadon Bonto: adrian caught nothing on the rocky hill with 15 traps. It is <sup>33</sup> ~~44~~? traps down the hill and across the double-enclosed mallow caught 2 also longe in the dense grass of the mallow (plus hare droppings) and in the steppe hill 1 also hantia and 2 Eligmo. My line of about 30 down the hill and across the grazed mallow (but still considerable cover) caught 2 Eligmo in steppe vegetation and 1 in the first trap into the mallow.

In the Campo fistuladas<sup>A</sup>, adrian caught 4 Eligmo and 1 Eligmo in the adjacent grazed Campo antiguo. I caught 7 Eligmo in the Campo Fistuladas and 2 in the antiguo (one of these might have been an also hantia but it escaped). In the rocks at Ramón's Puerta, the 6 cage traps had 1 Eligmo and 2 Phyllotis. In the rocks farther east, the 6 cages had 2 Phyllotis. One of the cages with a Phyllotis in it had been rolled downhill about 2 meters and a horned owl was attending it. Did it want to leave it, and flew off only 20m and watched while we released these 2 Phyllotis. They were very hungry and immediately started eating, rolled over tossed under their rocks. a chimango pestered the owl briefly.

Skinned all day and then checked traps. Nothing at Campo





Fistuladas nor Campo Antiguero at Canon Bonto  
1 also poutlo in my line (stepped vegetation) and  
1 funeroid bird. In Adrian's line 1 also longi in  
the mullen clausura.

may 16 Sprinkled rain in the afternoon. Evening mostly  
cloudy, no wind. Tress singing near the mullen,  
Canon Bonto. Night cloudy, little wind, no ice, my line ~~crossed~~  
crossing the grazed mullen caught 2 Eligmo (on the hillside),  
Adrian's crossing the ungrazed mullen caught 1 adrianus  
and 1 also longi in the mullen and <sup>4</sup> ~~Eligmo~~ Eligmo on the  
slope. Heard Clanorump in the evening (6 pm) after the wind  
had died down. Saw a dozen rheas in the mullen upstream.

my line in the Campo Fistuladas caught 3 Eligmo and  
1 also poutlo, and in Campo Antiguero nothing. Adrian  
caught 4 Eligmo in the Fistuladas and 1 in Antiguero.

At noon set 6 steel traps for quinas pigs at about  
6 km WNW Comollo, then disjuncted till 3 pm. Nothing in the  
4 cage traps at the Phyllotis rails. Then drove back the dirt  
track behind Ramon's Puerto to the cliffs hoping to find  
pellets. Rocky canyon with dense cola de pacho and with  
duraznillo 8 ft tall. Found a couple of quarts of pellets,  
probably tyto. Returned Bariloche 7:30 PM.

may 17 Bariloche. Scattered clouds, showers.

may 18 Bariloche. A.M. - 9°C, snowing heavily,  
but soon turned to sleet.

may 19 Bariloche, snowing heavily. About 3" fell at the airport  
and 8 inches up at the University where I attended

(The distance from the  
car from the  
out/pellets to the  
road was 2.0 km  
plus maybe 0.3  
km more by foot  
to the bottom of  
the cliff).





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a session for planning the curriculum. Dissatisfied  
owl pellets.

may 20 cold, drizzly. Some snow still left.

may 21 Partly sunny in the afternoon. at 4 p.m. put  
traps across the flanks of Cerro Sevea, reaching up to  
the base of the cliff at the left - had and and crossing  
a rocky knoll, but most of them in pre-cardillera  
steppes. alternates big Shermans and MS; total 130.

may 22 Barulecho, first part of night without rain, but rain & snow  
before dawn. Ran traps at 9 a.m. in drizzle & gloom. They  
held 22 also pantha, 16 Eligmo, 3 also longi, and 1  
Ctenomys (in a MS at a hole). Two diggings at one  
other place. Note no Culicivomys and very few also longi.  
Saw 2 haxe yesterday while setting.

Rain and heavy wet snow most of the day, but the  
snow not lasting. Did not check traplines in the afternoon.

may 23. Barulecho. Cold & drizzly in the morning, almost clear  
at Cerro Sevea. Picked up traps at 9 a.m. and also  
new owl pellets. Saw no owls.

About half the museum specimens were sprung by rain  
or hail. The catch was: 1 Phyllotis (rocky knoll), 2 also longi  
(at least one of them up at the bottom of the cliff), 13 also  
pantha (1 of them in the same trap that caught the two yesterday)  
and 9 Eligmodontia. In spite of rain & frost only 1 of more  
than 30 mice was dead in a Sherman (<sup>rodent</sup> cat mal bait).

Vegetation is fairly rich and diverse: lots of bunchgrass  
(mostly Poa some Stipa), the commonest shrubs a





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Out pellets from 10 km WNW Cassaller, Mungana

Complete pellets May 16

- ① 3 Eligmo (all adult)
- ② 1 yg ad Phyllotis.
- ③ 3 Eligmo (1 yg ad, 2 ad)
- ④ 4 Eligmo (yg ad or ad)
- ⑤ 5 Eligmo ad (1 of them reg ad)
- ⑥ 3 Eligmo (2 ad, 1 reg ad)
- ⑦ 1 Reithro ad.
- ⑧ 2 ad. ~~Eligmo~~
- ⑨ 3 ad Eligmo
- ⑩ 2 Phyllotis yg ad.
- ⑪ 3 Eligmo ad.
- ⑫ 2 Eligmo ad.
- ⑬ 1 ad Reithro

Partial pellets

Eligmo IIII IIII IIII

Reithro II

Phyllotis I

~~Eligmo~~ ~~Eligmo~~ ~~Eligmo~~

~~Eligmo~~

These <sup>↑</sup> all from same spot.

3 pellets from W side of canyon:

- ① 2 Eligmo (1 yg, 1 ad)
- ② 1 cho faulha ad.

③ no skull but mangled pelvis

- ④ 1 bud  
1 tuc  
1 Eligmo

mixed bag:

Complete pellets

- ① 1 <sup>ad</sup> Eligmo + larger leg bones.

- ② 2 Eligmo ad.

- ③ 1 Reithro ad.

- ④ 2 Eligmo ad.

- ⑤ 1 Eligmo ad + 1 big pelvis (mangled?) <sup>dark fur</sup>

- ⑥ 3 ad Eligmo

- ⑦ 3 ad Eligmo

- ⑧ 3 ad Eligmo

- ⑨ 3 ad Eligmo  
1 large pelvis

- ⑩ 3 Eligmo (2 ad + 1 juv)

- ⑪ 1 small Ctenomys

- ⑫ 1 ad Eligmo  
1 large pelvis

- ⑬ 1 bud  
2 Eligmo





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Only pellets from 10 km WNW Conallo (cont.)

May 16

pellets of brown owl

Partial pellets:

<u>Eligmodontia</u>		(54)
<u>Reithro</u>		(8)
<u>Phyllotis</u>		(10)
<u>Eumomys</u>		(6)
<u>Bird</u>		(4)
<u>akodon tantha</u>		(12)
<u>Oryzomys</u>		(1)
<u>akodon longi</u>		(2)
<u>microscavia</u>		(4)
<u>maniscul</u>		(0)

- (14) Long bones + pelvis manuscul
- (15) 2 old akodon tantha
- (16) 1 old Eligmodontia
- (17) 1 yg ad Reithro
- (18) 2 Eligmodontia (1 old 1 ad)
- (19) juv. manuscul (no teeth)
- (20) 4 Eligmodontia (1 old old, other adults)
- (21) 1 Eligmodontia
- (22) 1 akodon longi
- (23) 2 Phyllotis (juv)
- (24) 2 Eumomys
- (25) 2 Eligmodontia
- (26) 3 Eligmodontia
- (27) 3 Eligmodontia
- (28) 1 Reithrodontomys adulta
- (29) 1 old akodon tantha
- (30) 1 ad. Eligmodontia
- (31) 2 Eligmodontia ad.
- (32) 1 fetus? of? Phyllotis
- (33) 3 Eligmodontia (1 old 2 ad)
- (34) 1 tantha or? notso?
- (35) 2 juv. aulisco
- (36) 1 akodon longi?
- (37) 1? Oryz?
- (38) 2 ad Eligmodontia
- (39) 1 Eumomys (ygish)
- (40) and "grass seed"
- (41) 3 ad. Eligmodontia
- (42) 1 yg ad aulisco
- (43) 1 very yg Reithro (very small pellets)
- (44) 2 ad Eligmodontia
- (45) 1 akodon longi (ad)
- (46) 1 bird
- (47) 2 Eligmodontia (1 old old, 1 ygish)
- (48) 1 long bones of big?
- (49) 1 juv Phyllotis
- (50) 1 ad Eligmodontia
- (51) 1 long bones of juv. big
- (52) 1 manuscul pelvis + long bones
- (53) [no skull]
- (54) 1 akodon tantha
- (55) 1 Eligmodontia (yg ad)
- (56) 1 Phyllotis (ad)
- (57) 2 Eligmodontia ad.
- (58) 3 Eligmodontia (2 ad, 1 old old)
- (59) 1 akodon longi (ad)
- (60) 1 bird
- (61) 2 Eligmodontia (1 old old, 1 ygish)
- (62) 1 long bones of big?
- (63) 1 juv Phyllotis
- (64) 1 ad Eligmodontia
- (65) 1 long bones of juv. big
- (66) 1 Eumomys (ygish)
- (67) and "grass seed"
- (68) 3 ad. Eligmodontia
- (69) 1 yg ad aulisco
- (70) 1 very yg Reithro (very small pellets)





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May 16. 10km WNW Comallo

Summary of owl pellets (probably Tyto species) from  
10km WNW Comallo - a cliff/canyon less than 2 km from  
the road, north of the chacra of Ramon Reculpan.  
58 complete pellets, plus fragments of pellets.

	Sack 1 13 complete pellets	Sack 1 Partial Pellets	Sack 2 45 complete pellets	Sack 2 Partial pellets	$\Sigma$
<i>Elgmodontia</i>	28	14	63	54	159
<i>Abodon pautas</i>	0	0	6	12	18
<i>Phyllotis</i>	3	1	4	10	18
<i>Reithrodon</i>	2	2	4	8	16
<i>Marsupials</i>	Sack 1 & 2				16
<i>Etenomys</i>	0	0	2	6	8
Birds	0	0	3	4	7
<i>Abodon longi</i>	0	0	2	2	4
<i>Microsavia</i>	0	0	0	4	4
<i>Callicomys</i>	0	0	3	0	3
<i>Oryzomys</i>	0	0	1	1	2
<i>Eumomys</i>	0	0	1	0	1
					<u>246</u>

Some of the marsupials were in pellets and some were  
loose jaws. About 4 pellets contained marsupial long  
bones or pelvises or basioccipitals without any teeth. Usually  
young individuals. Apparently the owl was eating the heads?  
The *Eumomys* was in a good pellet by itself and much  
grass looking like grass seed, maybe stomach contents?  
This owl roost is within 2 km. of all of our Comallo  
trap sites. Do rarities associate in the same pellet?





narrow-leaved Baccharis, some neres and acacia, scattered Colletia, a few spring trees like at San Ramon, polo pichi (especially high on the slopes), lots of the sawtoothed bromeliad (especially high up), a few Echidna + Sesuvias

Total catch:	1st night 130 traps	2nd night $\pm 100$ traps
<u>aho foote</u>	22	13
<u>Elguo</u>	16	9
<u>aho longi</u>	3	2
<u>Phyllotis</u>	0	1
<u>Chomys</u>	1	0
	42	25

note no acriscomys

$\Sigma$  (67)

Wet morning at 11 P.m.

May 24

more wet snow, but not staying on the ground. Visited INTA and talked with Garcia + James, then James followed Garcia came to call. They recently caught a 70-g acriscomys, the stomach + intestine weighed 20g, and it was carrying (a ♂) 5 gms. of apillary, inguinal, and visceral fat (especially around testes), maybe they do hibernate?





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Owl pellets from Cerro Paez, May 23, 1984  
(Previous collection was April, 1984)

Complete pellets:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| (1) 1 <i>Aulico</i> (ygg ad.)  | (11) 1 juv. <i>Reithro</i><br>1 ygg ad also <i>Reithro</i>                     |
| (2) 3 also <i>Reithro</i> (1 ad, 1 yggish, 1 ?)                                  | (12) Long bones only   |
| (3) 2 also <i>Longi</i> (ad)<br>1 <i>Oryz</i> (ygg ad)                           | (13) 1 also <i>Longi</i> ygg.<br>1 <i>Aulico</i> old                           |
| (4) 1 ad <i>Oryz</i><br>2 also <i>Reithro</i><br>1 <i>Eumomys</i> juv.<br>1 Bird | (14) 2 <i>Aulico</i> (1 old 1 ygg)   |
| (5) 1 also <i>Longi</i> yggish<br>1 <i>Aulico</i> yggish                         | (15) 1 Bird  |
| (6) 1 <i>Eumomys</i> small   | (16) 1 <i>Aulico</i> old   |
| (7) 1 <i>Oryz</i> old  | (17) 1 ad of <i>Eumomys</i>  |
| (8) 2 ad <i>Eumomys</i><br>1 ygg <i>Aulico</i><br>1 ad also <i>Longi</i>         | (18) 1 old <i>Eligmo</i><br>1 ad also <i>Reithro</i><br>1 ad also <i>Longi</i> |
| (9) 1 yggish <i>Aulico</i><br>1 " also <i>Reithro</i>                            |  |

Total of complete pellets:

(9) 1 ygg <i>Reithro</i>	<i>Aulico</i>	9
(10) 1 juv <i>Reithro</i> 1 juv <i>Aulico</i> 1 ad <i>Eligmo</i> 1 old <i>Eumomys</i>	also <i>Reithro</i>	8
	also <i>Longi</i>	6
	<i>Eumomys</i>	4
	<i>Oryz</i>	3
	<i>Reithrodon</i>	3
	<i>Eligmodonta</i>	2
	<i>Eumomys</i>	2
	<i>Geopura</i>	0
	Bird	2

Partial pellets:

(also *Longi* 2 ygg ad) in same partial  
(*Geopura* 1 yggish) pellet

Total in partial pellets:

<i>Aulico</i>	1 =	1
also <i>Reithro</i>	11 =	2
also <i>Longi</i>	111 =	3
<i>Eumomys</i>	=	0
<i>Oryz</i>	=	0
<i>Reithrodon</i>	1 =	1
<i>Eligmodonta</i>	=	0
<i>Eumomys</i>	=	0
<i>Geopura</i>	11 =	2
Bird	=	0
		9





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Alcedon longifolia

May 23 - Cero Seque, caught 6 in < 260 trap nights, far outnumbered by Alia kontha and Eligone. See 7209 as well as:

84-450 ♀

153 x 62 x 22 x 15 19 g. <sup>uterus thin white no scars</sup>

84-451 ♀

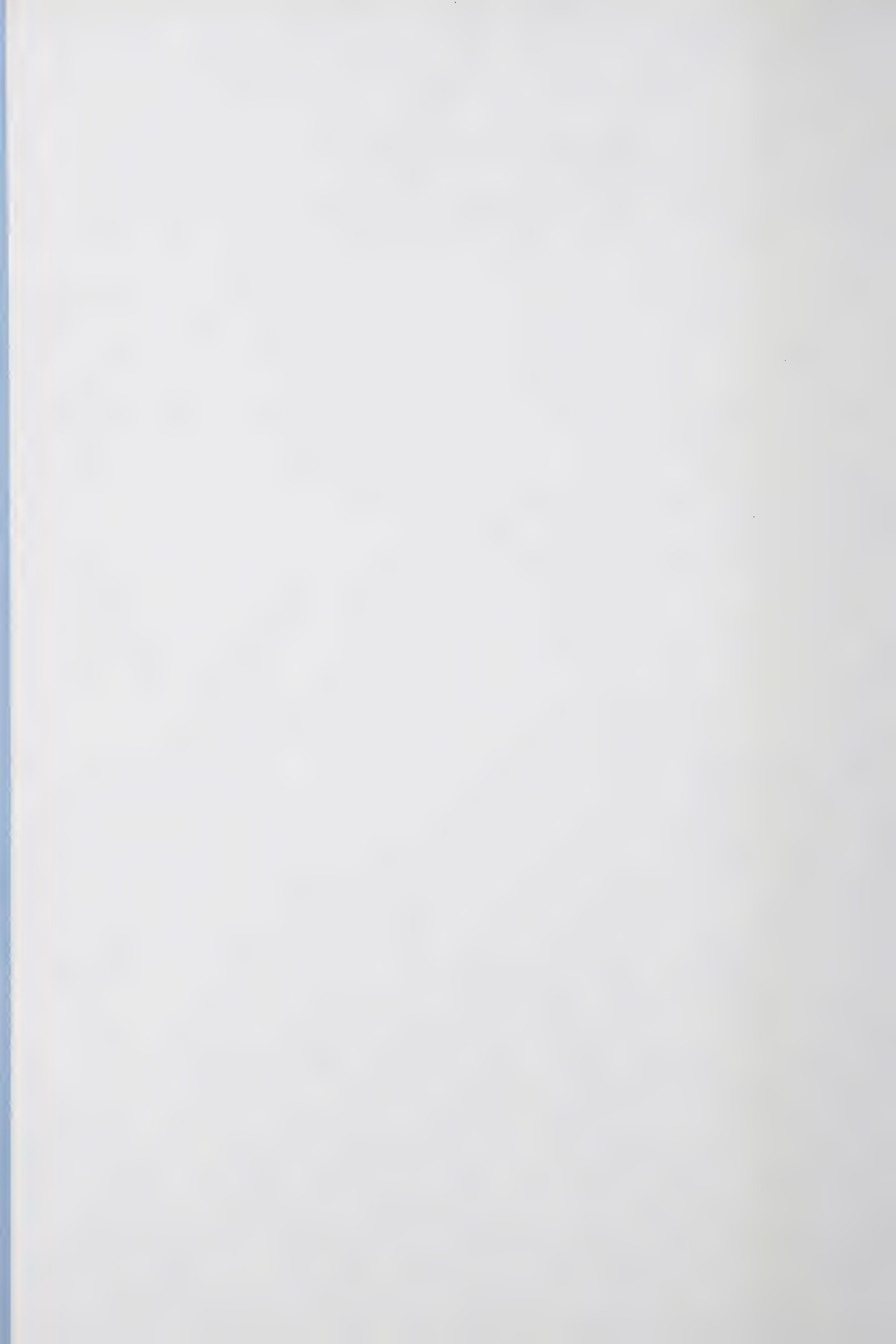
157 x 65 x 22 x 14 19  $\frac{1}{2}$  g. " " "

84-452 ♀

157 x 66 x 23 x 14  $\frac{1}{2}$  27  $\frac{1}{2}$  g. <sup>" " "</sup> <sub>pelvis not open</sub>

84-453 ♂

156 x 63 x 22  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 19 g. <sub>testis 3 white</sub>





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May 22 Cerro Sana. In 130 traps, <sup>22</sup> ~~21~~ ponthos, as follows:  
(see also # 7210):

84-400 ♀	128 × 50 × 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 14 15 g. <sup>uterus thin</sup> no scars.
84-401 ♂	121 × 48 × 19 × 14 12 g. testes 3 mm, white, <sup>no</sup> fat
84-402 ♀	122 × 50 × 19 × 14 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. ut. thin, nullip.
84-403 ♀	122 × 49 × 20 × 15 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. " " "
84-404 ♀	126 × 50 × 20 × 15 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. " " "
84-405 ♀	122 × 45 × 20 × - 12 g. " " "
84-406 ♀	123 × 48 × 19 × 14 14 g. " " "
84-407 ♂	128 × 48 × 20 × 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ 12 g. testes 3 white
84-408 ♂	116 × 44 × 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ 14 g. <sup>testes 3 mm, one</sup> white one red!
84-409 ♂	120 × 50 × 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 14 13 g. testes 3 mm white
84-410 ♂	117 × 47 × 19 × 14 12 g. testes 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ white
84-411 ♂	121 × 50 × 20 × 19 14 g. <sup>testes 3 mm, dark,</sup> not floppy.
84-412 ♂	124 × 50 × 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 14 13 g. testes 3 mm white
84-413 ♀	125 × 46 × 20 × 15 12 g. <sup>uterus thin, no</sup> scars
84-414 ♀	122 × 51 × 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 15 13 g. " "
84-415 ♂	131 × 52 × 20 × 15 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. testes 3 mm white
84-416 ♂	125 × 49 × 19 × 14 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. testes 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , sl. dark
84-417 ♀	124 × 47 × 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 15 15 g. <sup>uterus thin, no</sup> scars
84-418 ♀	130 × 50 × 19 × 15 12 g. " " "
84-419 ♂	138 × 52 × 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 14 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. testes 3 mm white

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84-420 ♂	135 × 53 × 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 15 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ g. testes 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ white
84-421 ♀	125 × 50 × 19 × 14 15 g. <sup>uterus thin white</sup> no scars.
84-422 ♂	126 × 46 × 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ × 14 14 g. testes 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ mm white
84-423 ♂	125 × 48 × 19 × 14 14 g. testes 3 mm white





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Alouatta palliata (cont.)

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84-424 ♂	123 x 47 x 19 x 14	14½ g.	503	testes 3½ pink
84-425 ♂	134 x 51 x 20 x 14½	15½ g.		testes 3½, white
84-426 ♀	130 x 50 x 20 x 14½	14 g.		uterus thin white no scars.
84-427 ♀	130 x 50 x 19½ x 14	13 g.	" " " "	
84-428 ♀	131 x 52 x 20 x 14	12 g.	" " " "	
84-429 ♀	124 x 45 x 20 x 14	12 g.	" " " "	
84-430 ♀	<sup>sc</sup> 144 x 59 x 20 x 14	16½ g.		uterus thicker than the others, no scars, pelvis slightly open, infolder not seen.
84-431 ♂	134 x 51 x 20 x 14	14½ g.		testes 3 mm white
84-432 ♂	133 x 52 x 19½ x 14	12 g.	" " " "	





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Eligmodontia typhus

May 17. Spent 2 days with Adrian Moujeau trapping at Cañon Bonta and at the east end of INTA (Campo de las Fisterladas and Campo Antiguio). Caught numerous Eligmo and a few Abopantla. Dissected about 20 Eligmos; only one of the females was parous, and probably none of the males was post-reproductive.

May 22 Cerro Seaver. In 130 traps ( $\frac{1}{2}$  Sherman  $\frac{1}{2}$  MS) caught 16 Eligmo as follows: (see also # 7211)

84-300 ♀	146 × 70 × 22 × 15 × 15½ g. nulliparous.
84-301 ♂	155 × 79 × 23 × 16 17½ g. testes 3 in white
84-302 ♂	144 × 68 × 23 × 15 16 g. testes 2½, white <sup>large</sup> fat both
84-303 ♂	155 × 78 × 23 × 15½ 17 g. testes 3, white "
84-304 ♂	150 × 68 × 22½ × 16 15 g. testes 3, white "
84-305 ♂	150 × 76 × 23 × 15 17 g. " " " "
84-306 ♂	146 × 70 × 22 × 15 16½ g. " " " "
84-307 ♂	143 × 68 × 21½ × 15 17½ " " " "
84-308 ♂	- 68 - × 22 × - - " " " "
84-309 ♀	143 × 69 × 21 × 14 14 g. vagina open (pic) uterus nullip
84-310 ♀	143 × 67 × 22 × 15 15 g. nullip.
May 23 84-311 ♂	150 × 75 × 22 × 14½ 15 g. testes 2½ in white, much fat.
84-312 ♂	150 × 70 × 22 × 15 15 g. " " " " "
84-313 ♀	136 × 67 × 22½ × 15½ 15½ g. uterus thin white, no scars, much ovarian and visceral fat.
84-314 ♀	160 × 81 × 22 × 15 13½ g. uterus thin white, no scars no fat.
84-315 ♀	145 × 70 × 21½ × 15 13 g. uterus thin white no scars much fat.
84-316 ♂	143 × 68 × 21½ × 14½ 13 g. testes 2½ white, much fat at kidneys & testis.
84-317 ♀	143 × 68 × 21 × 15½ 14 g. uterus thin, white no scars, much fat at kidneys, ovaries, inguinal.





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Eliquisodontia typus (cont.)

May 23 - Cervo Jones (cont.)

84-318 ♂

163 x 81 x 23 x 15  $\frac{1}{2}$  17g.

teeth  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , white

84-319 ♂

142 x 65 x 21 x 15 13g

" " "





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Pampa Huenulao, 5 km SW Bariloche, Rio negro, Argentina

Oct. 31

liquid subcut cyst on shoulder, 23g. Saved.

7217 ♂ *Ctenomys*

243 x 72 x 32 x 5 198g. Bladder 5g.

testes 10 mm, SV thin. Cyst identified by

Dr. Marcelo C. Suarez as *Colinus serialis* (Xerocar, 1847)

2 km E Estacion Perto Moreno, Rio negro

Nov. 7

testes 4 mm, SV 3. Stomach with green glop.

7218 ♂ *Reithrodon*

143 x 51 x 21 x 27 20.5g.

43 km SSW Bariloche, 1200 m, Rio negro

Nov. 25

nipples large, no milk. ut 2 1/2 mm faint scars

7219 ♀ *auliscornis*

257 x 109 x 30 x 20 62 1/2 g cecum 6.5 m

ovaries no pink CL

Rio Castaño Overo, 890 m, 44 km W Bariloche, Rio negro

Nov. 30

7220 ♂ *auliscornis*

250 x 110 x 30 1/2 x 21 76g Testis 10, SV 15

Refugio Neumeier, 1500 m, 13 km SSW Bariloche, Rio negro

Dec. 3

stomach brown glop, cecum large.

7221 *Chelomys*

153 x 47 x 25 x 16 35g Testis 4.5, SV 3

Dec. 4

caught Dec. 3. nipples large, milk.

formal

7222 ♀ "

175 x 50 x 25 x 15 1/2 76g. Recently parturient. 5 small

formal

7223 ♂ "

181 x 53 x 26 x 17 85g. testes 13, SV 16

2 km E Estacion Perto Moreno, Rio negro

formal

7224 ♂ *Reithrodon*

Test 8, SV 10 much fat caught Nov. 11 weighed 25g.

formal

7225 ♀ "

uterus pink 1 1/2 mm, much fat caught Nov. 11 weighed 25g.

10 km WSW Comallo, Rio negro Dec. 10

large nipples, no milk

7226 ♀ *Reithrodon*

225 x 81 x 33 x 26 105g. 7 fetuses of 27 mm CR

7227 ♂ *Ctenomys* *guineal*

2 incisors 2.22 mm, testes 2 mm

146 x 43 x 24 x - x 36g. Stomach green

7228 *Microavia*

187 x 0 x 43 x 17

210 4 fetuses, 32 mm C-R

210g





Puerto Blanco, 23 km NNE Pácora, Rio Negro

Dec. 11

7229 ♂ *Etenomys* juv.

2 upper incisors 2.8 mm, stomach green  
159 x 43 x 25 x - 49 g testis 2 mm





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Oct. 29 Bariloche. Arrived from Buenos Aires about 11 a.m.  
completely overcast,  $3^{\circ}\text{C}$ , rain and snow. In B.A.  
saw Willie and Mary for Mengoni, Oswaldo Reig, and  
student Claudio Silingardi and Miguel Pallarero.  
Reig teaching at the University, not director of the museum  
(Director is still Gallardo), Crespo still the mamm-  
alogist. Willie is teaching + Mary for has a CONICET  
Fellowship. Also had lunch with Kervitz, Juan, Maria  
Busch (mouse competition) and another student doing  
herring owl predation. Also tea with Nottebohm parents.  
A thunder rain storm overnight in BA had blown  
down big trees along the Costanera.

Javier Calvo came to call, was completely snowed  
out of Cerro Otto during the winter. He took a  
helicopter ride over the staffs: it was all white,  
with dead sheep etc. Everyone agrees won't winter  
in 40 years!

Oct. 30 Cold, scattered sun. a few daffodils out; apple  
trees in town are blooming. Michael Christo in B.A.  
but saw Marcelo Bettinelli. Lombardi poplars just  
beginning to leaf. a few beeches brown blooming

I rose out to Cerro Gnomes and looked for  
*Reithro leucurus* (none) and collected owl  
pellets (about 1 qt.). Found mouse trap  
(INTA?) up near the cliff. maybe <sup>was Ellen</sup> Adrian <sup>Rederson</sup>  
has been trapping there (and collected pellets?). Lots  
of *Baccharis*; Palo Pichin just below the cliff,







campo aveto, INTA, Pileoniyen Viejo. July 13, 1984  
 Photos by adrian monjean.







adrian monje and exhausted  
tinamon at Playas Viejas.  
July 13, 1984.





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the cardo (bromeliad) heavily grazed. Saw  
pink rabbit, a few black beetles.

Then drove to the old motidero meadow  
on Pampa Huenuleo. Lots of Rattus holes but  
almost no droppings, also two two signs  
including huge deep runways that were probably  
made under the snow, and two droppings out in  
under turf. Set 8 steel traps for tuco and  
~~skunk~~, and 8 new Rattus cage traps and about 6  
old cage traps for Rattus, baited with Dandelions.  
Weather cold, mostly cloudy.

Before dark caught 2 tuco-tucos. Heard no  
singing. Camped in middle of meadow.

Checked traps at 10 P.M. (moon half full), nothing.

Oct. 31 Pampa de Huenuleo. Began to rain at 10:30 P.M.

checked traps at 3 A.M., rain/snow, nothing. Still  
raining at 7:00 A.M. Picked up traps, none touched.  
new snow on the trees up on Cerro Otto. Returned  
to Barilecho 8:00 A.M. Rain rest of day. Christie  
visited in afternoon.

Nov. 1 Early morning sunny, then clouded over, then  
rain. Went to INTA and talked with Javier Bellotti,  
Susan Martin, and Julietta von Thungen. Lots of talk  
about how severe the winter was.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  m. of icy snow  
at Piles; lots of dead sheep and guanaco. Wonder  
about the rheas? The grey fates seem to have been  
badly hit but not the red (what evidence?). The





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# Owl Pellets from Caro Jones Oct. 30, 1984

- (1) 1 old aulisco
- (2) 1 ad aulisco
- (3) 1 ad Reithro
- (4) 1 ad Eumecurus  
1 yg ad aulisco  
1 yg Eligma?
- (5) 1 old aulisco  
2 juv. "
- (6) 1 ad Eligma  
2 ad abo longi
- (7) 1 yg aulisco  
1 old abo longi  
1 Oryz ad  
1 ?  
1 ad aulisco
- (8) 3 abo pantha (1 old)
- (9) 1 old aulisco
- (10) 1 Ctenomys upper pr. 4.6 mm  
1 juv. aulisco
- (11) 1 Oryzomys
- (12) 1 ad abo longi
- (13) no skull
- (14) 1 Reithro juv.
- (15) big pellet but only 1 Oryz old
- (16) 2 old abo longi  
1 Eligma
- (17) 1 Oryz  
1 Geomys
- (18) 1 yg aulisco  
1 abo longi
- (19) 1 abo pantha
- (20) 1 Oryz adult
- (21) 1 yg ad aulisco  
2 2 abo pantha
- (22) 1 old abo pantha  
1 ad Eligma
- (23) 2 yg ad abo longi  
1 yg aulisco
- (24) 1 ad aulisco  
1 old abo longi
- (25) 1 yg ad. aulisco
- (26) 1 old aulisco  
1 yg ad Reithro
- (27) 2 ad abo longi  
1 ad Oryz.
- (28) 1 ad aulisco  
1 abo longi  
1 old abo longi
- (29) 1 ad. aulisco
- (30)

most of above 14 pellets  
somewhat pale & weathered.

no two incisors to measure

cont. Total

Partial pellets:	Whole pellets	Total	
abo longi 11 2	14	16	Eumecurus 1
Reithro 11 2	3	5	Eligmodontia 4
abo pantha 11 3	7	10	Geomys 1
ctenomys 1 1	1	2	
oryzomys 1 1	6	7	
aulisco 11 2	18	20	
Bird (tiny) 1 1	0	1	

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vicuñas at the Reserva San Guillermo are said to have reduced their numbers from 8,000 to 1,000. Adrián trapped the campo Fintuladar etc, 300 trap nights and 0 captures (in June? or July?). The road to Jacobacci was cut, first by snow, then by bridges washed out.

Two students came by. <sup>Daniel Gordone</sup> One working under <sup>Gabriel Lopardo</sup> Rapoport, has finished a report on howler monkey behavior. The other is studying birds at Laguna de los Pinos (Estación Panto Moreno). Our rich mouse habitat in arroyo La Fragua has been bulldozed for the gas pipe line.

nov. 2 Day cool, scattered clouds + sun, Visited the new Fundación Bariloche office (Isabel Gallopin and Miguel Bron) in the former Hotel <sup>D</sup>Rodas. Someone stole their Apple computer.

Drove to Lago Mascardi to photo Berberis darwinii in full bloom. Saw about 5 isolated bamboo plants along the east side of the lake, another Berberis (fragrant) in bloom also.

at lunch with Hilda Rumbolt yesterday she mentioned that in England in July, hedgerows of bamboo were dead, and that there was a notable abundance of mice.

at 7 p.m. went to a talk by Claudio Chelover on the status of mink in Argentina. He estimates a rate of advance of only 10 km per year. Not yet overhopping otter (mink are in Rio Manso; Otter in Nahuel





H. sapi). much principal diet is mice; they have not yet found coipus in pieces.

Nov. 3 Day cloudless, calm. Went up Cerro Otto to Piedras Blancas. Lots of snowbanks thereabout; leuca leafing out. The row of Doug firs, 1 ft. DBH, along the road at the tree meadow had all fallen (except one); snow? wind?. Walked along Javier's trap path. Lots of snow, the bamboo still struggling up through it. The leucas beginning to leaf out, a few earth cores in open meadows, but this is not an amaneay area. Saw no "edible" bamboo shoots, but lots of clumps had a few tall leafless culms with sheaths. We chose a discrete clump in a meadow and spent several hours tallying culms and measuring diameters and internode distances. Some big cones had been broken by the snow. Dinner with Gallapins.

Nov. 4 Morning cloudy turning to rain at noon. Finished measuring the bamboo clump on Cerro Otto, clump A. The clump contained <sup>267</sup>~~377~~ ~~culms~~ yellow (old) culms, 25 green - with - culm - sheath, 5 red - stalk - no - leaves - 1<sup>st</sup> yr, 14 broken culms, and 73 dead culms; no "edible" shoots but 2 old dead "edible" type shoots, also 1 red - but - leaves - out - no culm - sheath. Total 387 culms including 75 dead. 3 random subsamples had <sup>internode</sup> diameters 2 ft above ground of 10.9 to 24.0 mm, mode 19 mm.

Nearby were the remains of old dead clumps, very short stubs sticking up above ground and big old grey weathered cones scattered about. Picked up 4 big pieces, and the internode





diameters were larger than any of the living canes. are these left over from the previous flowering? This would fit with H. Neukirch's statement that the canes were larger at the time of the last flowering. <sup>av. diam. of random</sup>  $52 \text{ canes} = 19.4 \text{ m. m.}$

Lots of sign of rodent digging activity under the snow, especially around bushes such as Berberis. Dirt heaped up there, and along fallen logs. Probably tucacs and Chelomys.

They clear by 9 PM.

Nov 5. Day cloudy or scattered clouds. Drove out to Estancia El Cordero with Anita + Claudio Silingard and his girl friend and looked for Reithrodon. Went to the field where they had been abundant a few years ago and saw no holes or droppings. Then searched various other fields and found only a few holes and a few droppings. Saw several hares, beef cattle, no sheep. Three owl pellets along a fence contained Elanus + Chordeiles but no Reithro.

Abel + Marta Basti came for dinner, and then Javier Perez + Graciela dropped in. Abel + Marta have a precious manuscript on the history and life style of the pobladores in the Park at Rio Vallegas. Also a manuscript on the podus at Isla Victoria.

Nov. 6 Morning mostly clear, then scattered clouds. Warmer, not windy. Javier Perez came in the morning to talk about his Cervo Otis mouse data, then <sup>we</sup> left at 3:45 to look for Reithrodon. Stopped at our campsite at Estancia San Ramon where we had seen Reithro 2 yrs





(Estación Paríto morosa)

pellets collected October 1984 at Laguna de los Juncos  
by Gabriel Zafra and Daniel Gordon

Site N° 1

- ① Akodon longipilis
- ② akodon longipilis  
akodon pantha
- ③ Sieber
- ④ 1 Eligmodontia  
1 akodon longipilis  
1 akodon pantha
- ⑤ 1 auliscomys
- ⑥ 1 abo longi  
1 oryzomys
- ⑦ 1 abo longi
- ⑧ 1 auliscomys  
1 Reithro
- ⑨ 1 abo pantha
- ⑩ 1 Reithro
- ⑪ 1 Reithro
- ⑫ 1 aulisco  
1 aulisco
- ⑬ 1 Oryzomys  
1 Reithro

- ⑫ 1 Reithro
- ⑬ 1 Reithro
- ⑭ 1 Reithro
- ⑮ 1 Reithro
- ⑯ 1 abo longi
- ⑰ 1 Reithro  
1 oryzomys  
1 abo. pantha
- ⑱ 2 abo longi  
1 Eligmo
- ⑳ 1 Reithro
- ㉑ 1 aulisco  
1 Reithro
- ㉒ 1 Ctenomys
- ㉓ 1 Reithro
- ㉔ 1 abo longi.
- ㉕ 2 abo longi  
1 Eligmo
- ㉖ 1 abo longi

most of them  
small, perhaps  
asio flammeus

	Totals:	Complete pellets	Partial pellets (from next page)
⑮ 1 Ctenomys	Reithrodon IIII IIII IIII = 16	21	37
⑯ aulisco	aulisco IIII IIII = 9	19	28
⑰ 1 Reithro 1 abo longi 1 abo pantha	Ctenomys IIII = 3	7	18
⑱ 1 Phyllotis 1 abo pantha	abo. longi IIII IIII IIII = 19	6	25
⑲ 1 Eligmo 1 abo longi	abo pantha IIII IIII = 8	4	12
㉑ 1 aulisco	Eligmo. IIII = 4	4	8
㉒ 1 Reithro	Oryzomys IIII = 3	3	6
㉓ 1 Reithro	Bird = 0	1	1
㉔ 1 Reithro	Chelomys = 0	1	1
㉕ 2 aulisco	Phyllotis 1 = 1	1	1
㉖ 1 Ctenomys 2 abo pantha	Hare 1 = 1	0	1
㉗ *		64	130





Partial Polls, Set 1

Rathron IIII IIII IIII IIII I = 21

anlesomys IIII IIII IIII = 19

elenomys IIII II = 7

abodon longi IIII I = 6

abodon panthe IIII = 4

Eligmodontia IIII = 4

Oryzomys III = 3

Bird I = 1

chelenomys I = 1

Phyllotis I = 1





Set 2 Pellets collected at Laguna de los Juncos  
by Gabriel Goffredo + Daniel Gordin, Oct. 1984

- |                                |   |                |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------|
| (1) 1 abo pantho               | { | abo longi 2    |
| (2) 2 abo pantho               |   | = abo pantho 3 |
| (3) 1 abo longi<br>1 abo longi |   | Elguo 5        |
| (4) 5 Elguo                    |   | Sapo Bud 1     |

Set #3

- |                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| (1) 1 auliscus      | (23) 1 abo longi   |
| (2) 1 aulisco       | (24) 1 aulisco     |
| (3) 1 abo longi     | (24) 1 Elguo       |
| (3) 1 abo pantho    | (25) 1 Reithro     |
| (4) 1 Eumomys       | (26) 1 Reithro     |
| (4) 1 Elguo dentia  | (27) 1 aulisco     |
| (5) 1 abo pantho    | (28) 1 Elguo       |
| (5) 1 Chelomys      | (28) 1 aulisco     |
| (6) 1 Reithrodon    | (29) 1 Reithro     |
| (6) 1 Elguo         | (29) 1 aulisco     |
| (7) 1 abo longi     | (30) 1 Oryzomys    |
| (8) 1 aulisco       | (31) 1 abo pantho  |
| (9) 1 Elguo         | (32) 1 aulisco     |
| (10) 1 aulisco      | (33) 2 abo longi   |
| (10) 1 abo longi    | (33) 1 aulisco juv |
| (11) 1 baby hare    | (34) 1 Reithro     |
| (12) 1 aulisco      |                    |
| (12) 1 abo longi    |                    |
| (13) 1 Eumomys juv. |                    |
| (14) 1 Reithro      |                    |
| (15) 1 abo longi    |                    |
| (16) 1 abo pantho   |                    |
| (16) 1 aulisco      |                    |
| (17) 1 oryzomys     |                    |
| (17) 1 abo longi    |                    |
| (18) 2 abo longi    |                    |
| (19) 2 abo longi    |                    |
| (20) 1 abo longi    |                    |
| (20) 1 Phyllotis    |                    |
| (21) 1 abo longi    |                    |
| (22) 2 abo longi    |                    |

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Site 3 summary (collected October, 1984)

<u>Complete Pellets</u>	<u>Partial Pellets</u>	<u>Total</u>
Reithrodon III I =	6 III = 5	11
akodon III III II =	12 II = 2	14
Ctenomys =	0 I = 1	1
akodon longi III III III II =	17 I = 1	18
akodon partha IIII =	4 II = 2	6
Eligmodontia III =	5 II = 2	7
Oryzomys II =	2 = 0	2
Bird =	0 = 0	0
Chelomys I =	1 = 0	1
Phyllotis I =	1 = 0	1
Hare I =	1 = 0	1
Eumomys II =	2 III = 3	5
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Pellets collected Nov. 7 at Laguna de los Pumas by Gordon et al

	<u>Site #1</u>	<u>morro aguijar</u>	<u>morro norte</u>	<u>Σ</u>
Reithrodon	1	3	13	17
akodon	0	4	19	23
Ctenomys	0	1	11	12
akodon longi	0	3	13	16
akodon partha	0	1	4	5
Eligmodontia	2	0	11	13
Oryzomys	0	1	4	5
Bird	0	0	0	0
Chelomys	0	0	2	2
Phyllotis	0	0	2	2
Hare	0	0	0	0
Eumomys	0	0	3	3

Note species Diversity Index!





ago, but found no sign there, and none at Est Perito Moreno (Juegos de los jóvenes). While there an INTA truck went by with Adrian. He had been trapping at Pileminger and said that after many hundreds of trap nights at his grids in July, Aug, Sept, Oct, and now (7 days), he had caught nothing.

I set 15 cagetraps in low brush + weed habitat along the RR track a few hundred yards east of the lake. Saw no *Perithodon* droppings, but habitat looked good. Baited with dandelion, oats, apple.

Then drove about 2 miles east of the lake and camped between the RR and the road. Here there is lush green grass and lots of *Perithro* droppings and holes. I set about 5 *Sherman* and 8 new *Perithro* traps. Anita set 1 steel and 40 MS. She caught a juvenile *Perithro* at 8:20 while it was still quite light. Mostly cloudy at dusk, with distant lightning. Almost no wind; almost full moon.

Ran traps shortly after dark: 2 *Alouatta* *longi* in snap traps, no *Perithros*.

Nov. 7 Estero Perito Moreno. Ran traps at 1 a.m., thin clouds, bright moonlight. Nothing in traps, saw no mcs. at dawn, ice on windshield, very light frost on grass, but many of the new traps frozen. Nothing in them. 2 more *Alouatta* *longi* in snap traps + 4 *Sherman* empty. In the 15 cage traps along the RR at the lake, caught 3 adult *Alouatta* *longi*. about 15 condors sunning on the cliff. Returned to





Bariloche 9 a.m.

Owl pellet from near the lake = 1 subimane.

In the afternoon drove out to the Glac Glac Pampa and measured bamboo in a flat pure-bamboo area 18 yards short of the well on the trail that starts just before Lago Escondido. Chacabos singing all around. no herb vegetation, one big coihue about 40 ft. away. This clump (B1) had no red leafless canes from last season but did have 3 new shoots. Numerous other shoots 2, 3 or 4 ft. tall with the sheathed tips dead. Other clumps nearby had red leafless shoots. One clump nearby had a shoot 28.1 mm diam at the base. From the presence of a well and rosa mosqueta, I guess this area must have been cleared at one time. No eucalypt or cypress seedlings.

Nov. 8 morning clear. Drove to Rio Villegas to visit Abel + Marta Basti. After lunch drove down the Rio Mauro on the south side to the Rio Foyel, then walked over the hanging bridge and down the valley for maybe a km, or two. A dam is being planned for this valley. The park is on the north side of the river, but impossible to cross to visit the poblador as we had hoped. Abel's research shows fewer people and fewer animals in the park than years ago. The original park settlers came from Chile about 1903. Most of the <sup>heads</sup> of households now are women.

Nov. 9 Partly cloudy, sprinkles of rain. Went for a horseback ride with Anita and Huenschupan up the valley to the Pampa de Toros, over the 1st ridge to the east, then back past Martín Rendondo and Puerto





Retamo. This consists of 2 tall posts (all that's left of a rovelo or house) in a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -acre clearing. There was surely a bigger clearing here years ago. now it is a sea of ñire, caña, and retamo. On our  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -hour ride covering at least 500 m of elevation and different slopes, we saw only a few coihues and amancayes. all the bamboo is missing. The big fire in the 1920s must have made a big difference, and Rogel was probably right when he said there used to be many more people in this area.

Huenchufan pointed out a puma track; not very convincing. Home 5:30 p.m. *Berberis darwinii* and apple tree still in full bloom.

Nov. 10 morning clear (Bariloche). Michael Christie visited last night (he is moving) and brought Ellen Pederson's field notes. She set 50 small snap traps at the Hipodromo on June 20, clear, cold, various cm. of snow, baited with oats and corn meal. night was cold + frosty, and about 15 traps were frozen, the others caught 3 *Oryz*, 1 also oliv., and 1 bird (*Aphrastus*). no *Elgmo*.

On July 1 she trapped Cerro Gower with 70 small snap traps. from the road up to the owl cave and then along the cliff. Cold and windy. This was <sup>1 week</sup> after the big snow, but the snow had melted. She ran traps on July 1 (1 also fawn, 1 *Elgmo* on the transect perpendicular to the cliff and 4 *Phyllotis* along the cliff. On July 3: 1 also fawn and 1 *Elgmo* on transect plus 2 also fawn at base of cliff.





Left at 3:30 for Estancia Panto muros with Gabriel Japardo, Daniel Gordone, Claudio, his girl friend the geologist, and Jose ... . Set 22 Sherman and 22 MS across the slope east of the lake to the RR, along the RR, then back to the road. Also about 15 traps along the edge of the lake near the millrace. Grass short, almost no tules.

Then drove 2 km E to our campsite and set about 9 cage traps and 5 new Perleth traps, all set for Perleth; lots of holes & droppings. Excavated 3 burrows, but found only 1 nest. Each burrow 3 or 4 meters long. While setting a trap near one of the excavations, a juvenile Perleth tried to run down the hole I was setting it. Grabbed it.

The owner of the Estancia (La Fragua) came by: Dr. Marful. Friendly. Caught another Perleth before 10 (see

about 8 PM, broad daylight. Same hole where Anita trapped one earlier this week.

species account) and another before 1 a.m. While packing up at 10 PM, followed a skunk for about 50 yards while it dug little holes along the RR embankments right clear, about 2 hrs of dark before the moon came up. No wind

Nov. 11 morning clear. Considerable frost, cup of water in car froze. nothing more in the Perleth traps. Then drove back to the lake and picked up traps. 5 also long. across the meadow & RR, nothing along the lake. No condors. Sr Marful said some quail survived the winter but no Calif. quail. We did see quail a few days ago near the Estancia San Ramon entrance





visited Hilda Hambloll in evening,

- nov. 12 Sunny warm all day. I rose up Cera Otto, re-measured some of Bamboo Clump A1, made a count of yearling culms along 90 yards of trail, then measured another clump A2 growing right up against a 14-inch ledge. Transplanted 2 clumps of rhizomes to the backyard. One of them with a nice big white shoot still underground. Saw no new shoots in the wild. A few small patches of snow still.
- nov. 13 Sunny all day + warm. Visit from the Gallopinos and Adrian Moujan and wife. Looked for Rallero sign at the marsh at Estancia Tahuel mabel; very little signs. Took photos of the valley at Est. Tahuel mabel.
- nov. 14 Sunny, nice clouds. Pellets etc (see Feathered). Otto in evening for bamboo sampler and photos.
- nov. 15 Sunny. Anita went bambooing. I did pellets <sup>than to Pampa</sup> ~~and~~ ~~on~~ ~~speech~~ H. newbler looking for Rallero. Good holes, few droppings.
- nov. 16 Sunny. Anita went bambooing with Isabel Gallopinos. I worked on my speech. <sup>nov. 19 - to Cueva Triful + Cullinman's and Bird Cave.</sup> 5 tree traps along road caught nothing.
- nov. 20 To Puerto Blerst with Anita, Peter, Karen, + Justin. Beautiful big clump of bamboo all in flower at the edge of the meadow near the Camp ground. The flowers dark purple, the culms already looking a little bit dead. There were yearling culms with blooms. Saw no new shoots, although they were found on various other clumps.

On the walk to El abuelo we counted 6 blooming clumps. There were yearling shoots as well as new new shoots on





some or most of these 6 clumps, the yearling culms seem to be taller than the old culms.

Chose a clump of bamboo on the grid (<sup>5B</sup>~~7B~~) near a big culm and measured all culms etc. Had numerous yearling culms and new shoots including some not yet above ground.

The bamboo along the steps up to Lago Cantaros are all scrawny sparse, those along the trail between Blett + Cantaros are robust. much greater tree diversity along that trail (Sotogollas, alders, a white-blossomed broadleaf, etc) than on our grid. Saw a dozen or two noisy parrots, but only in tree tops. Park Guard Horacio Pelosa says he doesn't see them feeding or on the ground. Some drizzle.

Nov. 21 Overnight in the hotel, then more bambooing, especially along the trail to Cantaros. at one place saw a half-dozen small bamboo plants that look like "seedlings" a couple of years old; one small yearling sprout, a clump of several-years-dead bamboo nearby. I noted the dead clump at the Correo raspberry patch; still conspicuous, the culms greying but hard. no blooming clumps along the Cantaros trail.

While walking back from the grid with Horacio, he spotted a Darwin's frog crossing the road. I couldn't make it flat belly-up. Horacio says he has not seen Pudu here but he found one killed by a puma and puma scats with pudu hooves. The administrator of the hotel is Sr. Pancho. Some drizzle.





nov. 23 Barbach. Sighted on South American desert mice to my groupier and Prof Papoport.

nov. 24 Left at 11 p.m. for Salaverrada. No signs of flowering of bamboo. Many recently dead + dried clumps. Others with yearling culms. no shoots yet, but they can be found below ground by digging. Lots of signs of digging and tunneling by tucos and/or Chelomys. Set 8 Reithro traps at open holes in green-grass meadows baited with sunflower seed and cheese. measured one clump of scrubby bamboo. Saw 1 tucos (?) briefly, heard none. Saw no Reithro droppings. accompanied by Anita, Peter, Karen, + Justin. The river is pretty well leafed out and in bloom.

nov. 25 Evening mostly cloudy. morning drizzly, not cold. The 8 traps held 1 Auliscomys adult. Since they were set over the holes and could be entered only from below, the Auliscomys must have been using the galleries. It ate dandelion flowers immediately, did not eat cheese. no recent wild pig damage, no recent horse droppings, little evidence of recent grazing on the bamboo. Fallen limbs in the lenga forest squashed lots of bamboo across the trail.

nov. 26 Clear + warm. Collected owl pellets at the cliff at Tshul Malal.

nov. 27 Partly cloudy. Left at 10 a.m. for Rio Castano Overo, arrived at our old campsite 12:30. River relatively low. 4 species of Perleria in full bloom. Heavy browsing on bamboo by horses, both near the campsite and upon the hill at our grid. The horse droppings not fresh.





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Owl pellets from the cliff at Tehuel malal, nov. 26

- (1) 2 adult Oryz
- (2) 2 yg aulisco
- (3) 1 ad aulisco  
1 ad abo longi
- (4) 1 old Oryz
- (5) 1 ad Oryz
- (6) 2 ad Oryz
- (7) 1 old Oryz  
1 abo longi yg  
2 aulisco juv.  
2 Oryzomyz yg ad
- (8) 1 bird
- (9) 1 ad Oryzomyz  
1 yg Reithro
- (10) 1 old Reithro
- (11) 1 juv. Reithro
- (12) 1 old aulisco
- (13) 1 abo longi old
- (14) 1 ad Oryz
- (15) 2 yg aulisco  
1 old Oryz  
1 ad aulisco
- (16) 2 ad Oryz
- (17) 2 ad. aulisco
- (18) 1 ad Oryz
- (19) 1 ad Oryz
- (20) 2 ad Oryz
- (21) 1 ad aulisco
- (22) 1 ad aulisco  
1 ad Oryz  
1 ad Brenomyz
- (23) 2 young Reithro  
1 juv aulisco  
1 ad Oryz
- (24) 1 old aulisco
- (25) 2 ad Oryz
- (26) 1 ad Oryz  
1 juv aulisco  
1 ad abo longi
- (27) 1 old aulisco
- (28) 2 ad Oryz
- (29) 2 ad Oryz  
1 juv abo longi
- (30) 1 old Oryz
- (31) 1 yg ad. aulisco  
1 old aulisco  
1 ad abo longi
- (32) 1 ad Oryz  
1 ad Chelomys
- (33) 1 ad Reithro
- (34) 1 ad Oryz  
1 yg ad aulisco
- (35) 4 yg ad aulisco  
1 old aulisco  
2 ad Reithro  
1 ad abo longi  
1 yg ad aulisco
- (36) 1 ad aulisco  
1 ad Oryz  
1 yg aulisco
- (37) 1 old abo longi  
1 juv aulisco  
1 juv Brenomyz  
1 juv. Oryzomyz
- (38) 2 ad. abo longi  
2 ad abo longi  
2 juv Oryz
- (39) 1 old aulisco  
1 ad aulisco  
1 juv. Oryz
- (40) 1 ad aulisco  
1 juv abo longi
- (41) 1 old abo longi  
1 ad abo longi  
1 juv Oryz
- (42) 2 yg ad aulisco
- (43) 1 old old aulisco
- (44) 1 yg ad aulisco





One pallette from Tehuel malal (cont.)

- (52) 1 old old Chelomys ✓  
(53) 1 juv. Tremomys } sic!  
1 ad Tremomys 3  
(54) 1 ad Tremomys ✓  
(55) 1 ad Chelomys ✓  
(56) 1 bird  
1 Oryz adult ✓  
(57) 2 ad Oryz ✓  
1 ad aulisco  
(58) 1 ad Oryz ✓  
1 ad Oryz ✓  
(59) 1 ad abo longi  
1 old aulisco  
(60) 1 ad abo longi  
1 ad abo longi ✓  
(61) 1 ad Oryz ✓  
1 ad aulisco ✓  
(62) 2 abo longi (1 ad, 1 <sup>yg</sup>)  
1 ad aulisco ✓  
(63) 2 juv. aulisco  
1 old abo longi  
(64) 1 yg " "  
1 juv. aulisco  
(65) 1 ad abo longi ✓  
1 juv aulisco  
(66) 2 ad abo longi ✓  
2 old aulisco  
(67) 1 ad Oryz ✓  
(68) 2 ad abo longi ✓  
1 juv Reithro  
(69) 1 yg abo longi ✓  
1 yg Oryzomyz ✓  
(70) 1 ad Oryz ✓  
1 ad Oryz  
(71) 1 old abo longi ✓  
1 juv Reithro  
(72) 1 old abo longi  
1 ad aulisco  
1 juv aulisco  
(73) 3 ad abo longi ✓  
(74) 1 yg Reithrodon ✓  
1 old Reithro  
(75) 1 yg aulisco ✓  
2 ad Oryz  
(76) 1 old abo longi  
(77) 2 ad Oryz ✓  
(78) 1 ad Oryz ✓  
(79) 1 juv Tremomys  
2 ad Oryz ✓  
1 ad abo longi  
(80) 1 ad Reithro ✓  
(81) 2 yg ad aulisco ✓  
1 ad aulisco  
(82) 1 old abo longi ✓  
(83) 1 ad aulisco ✓  
1 ad Reithro  
(84) 1 old Oryz  
2 abo longi (1 ad, 1 juv) ✓ 4  
(85) 3 ad Oryz ✓  
(86) 1 ad aulisco ✓  
1 ad abo longi  
(87) 2 young aulisco ✓  
(88) 1 old aulisco ✓  
1 ad aulisco  
(89) 1 ad abo longi ✓  
(90) 2 ad aulisco ✓  
1 yg ad Reithro  
(91) 1 ad abo longi ✓  
1 juv Oryz  
(92) 1 ad Oryz  
1 ad abo longi ✓  
(93) 1 ad Tremomys ✓  
1 ad Oryz ✓  
(94) 3 juv aulisco (fetus?) ✓ 4  
(95) 3 Oryz (2 ad + 1 juv) ✓  
(96) big bird ✓  
(97) 1 old Oryz ✓  
1 ad Oryz  
(98) 2 ad abo longi ✓  
(99) 3 Oryz (1 old, 1 ad, 1 juv) ✓  
1 Reithro yg  
(100) 1 Oryz adult ✓  
(101) 1 old aulisco ✓  
1 ad Oryz  
(102) 1 ad abo longi ✓





One Pellets from the cliff at Tehuel modal nov. 26  
(cont.)

- (103) 1 ad abo longi  
1 ad Irenomyx
- (104) 3 juv aulisco
- (105) 1 yg abo longi  
1 yg Irenomyx
- (106) 1 yg ad aulisco
- (107) 1 aulisco young  
1 Oryzopsis ad.
- (108) 1 ad Oryzopsis
- (109) 1 ad Reithro  
1 ad aulisco
- (110) 1 ad Oryzopsis

Summary of whole pellets

Oryzomyx	70
aulisomyx	68
abo longi	46
Reithro	17
Irenomyx	9
chelemys	3
Bird	3
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PARTIAL PELLETS:

TOTAL

Oryzomyx IIII IIII IIII IIII I = 26

96

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aulisomyx IIII IIII IIII IIII II = 22

90

abo longi IIII IIII IIII IIII = 20

66

Reithro IIII IIII II

= 12

29

Irenomyx I

= 1

10

chelemys III

= 3

6

Bird. I

= 1

4

Geopus II

= 2

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at 5 pm I put 10 age traps baited with apple & sunflower seeds along edge of one of my old sites (and found one Sherman with a *Geopus* skeleton in it). Nothing in the traps at 8 pm. See bamboo species account.

Nov. 28. Day mostly cloudy. my traps with 2 adult also longi. Released them. Antelope caught 1 ad. also longi during the day.

measured a bamboo clump in the morning, then drove to Trowder. Scattered showers; summit never clear. Back to camp at 3:30. Photo of bamboo and measured leaves of bamboo. Almost all the bamboo on the south side of the Cañon Over has small leaves, even if the canes are tall. In the buckhorn forest on the hill above the south end of the bridge we found one clump of tall canes with lower canes longer and wider than the others. Bracken much longer also. Saw a night heron along the stream yesterday.

Nov. 29 morning cloudy - drizzly. my 11 traps held 4 big adult also longi and 1 big Andiscomys. Antelope's 5 were empty.

Started raining more seriously about noon, so broke camp, drove to Ventiqueros negro and waited 'til one-way traffic at 3. A little snow mixed with heavy rain. Home 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 1 Scattered clouds, cold, windy. measured bamboo at Glas-Glas. Lots of new shoots. Tall shoots grow faster than when they were short.

Dec. 2 Scattered clouds, cool, windy. at 10 went to Estacion Parito Morano and hiked up to the condor cliff. Saw a pair of





aquilinos there, and black vultures, and condors. Three guys with a gun were shooting at the condors flying overhead. We were trapped several hours at the lake by a road race; dozens of cars parked at the lake to watch.

Dec 3 Bariloche - Partly cloudy, windy. Drove up to Refugio Niemeyer and walked up to the first lake. Lots of snow banks beginning at the level of the Refugio, a few blue-bloss, oadles of earth cores, open ditch runways, and churned up earth along logs + under leaning trees. It must have been a great winter for mice under the snow.

My photoed amaranth patch is still full of amaranth shoots, no earth cores, a branch fallen on it. Lots of other fallen trees and branches. Numerous piles of stacked firewood along the road. Road poor; saw nobody. Lenga blossoms on snow.

Peter + Karen climbed up toward Cerro Blanco and on the open slope saw two - like digging or burrows.

Anita set 3 cage traps at 11:30, baited with apples and rolled oats, in a big weed pile at the end of the road where we park our car. Pure Lenga, open-floor forest. at 3:30 there were 3 Chelomys.

Skiers had tied ribbons in the trees; the snow must have been 8 feet or more deep.

Dec 5 at 5 pm drove out to the Pampa de Huenulén and hunted for Reithrodon holes. Daisies just beginning to bloom, dandelions done. Found lots of Reithro holes but very few droppings. Set 8 Reithro traps and 15 cage traps.





Partly cloudy, no wind.

Dec. 6 Lampado H. newules. Ran traps at 10 pm, 12 pm, and 6:30 a.m. none touched. Jacklighted for about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile at midnight, saw nothing. Night mostly clear, moon almost full, touch of frost.

Day sunny, little wind. Between 4 and 6 pm put traps across flank of Cerro Grouse and along bottom of the cliff. I put 10 cage traps, 38 big Shermans + cats, and 38 MS + corn meal;  $\frac{3}{4}$ s of them along the cliff, the rest across the "steps". Vegetation includes Baccharis, flowering Pala pichu, and flowering Calceola. Calceolaria in flower. Anita put ~~50~~ 95 Shermans and 34 MS across the lower slopes.

Looked for owl pellets but found no new ones and saw no owls. Vultures over the pig farm. Vegetation on the slopes of Cerro Grouse quite green & lush.

Dec 7 Day cool, clear. Picked up traps at 8 a.m. about 20 traps had been stolen from my line and from Anita's, so her line ended up with 28 MS and 28 Shermans. My line with 7 cage, 33 Shermans and 34 MS. My line held 1 dead Phyllotis (MS) and 4 live Phyllotis (Shermans), one of them a juvenile of about 25 g. Anita's line held 2 live Abro pantho and 4 dead. The Phyllotis was a 50-g breed, ♂.

asked about traps at nearby houses and at a school near the RR station (Nirihua?).

Revisited our bamboo clumps on Cerro Otto. New shoots just emerging, yearling shoots beginning to leaf out. On two





measured clumps are very dense (culms closely spaced), the culms quite fat.

Drove to Lago Mascardi 7 to 8:30 pm for photo, but cloudy in many places.

Dec 8 Bariloche. Cool, windy, clear. at 2 pm flew over Lago Troful in a small Cessna and took photos to compare vegetation. Very windy + bumpy. Was too busy taking photos to ~~visit~~ make a vegetation comparison, but did notice that some patches of lenga ~~up~~ high were almost identical with photo 40 yrs ago. Blooming Colletta was quite conspicuous.

Visited Hilda Rumball at 4:30; dinner with Gallopine.

Dec 9 To Comallo with Adrian at noon. Set 64 Sherman on each of his 3 grids; Campo Fistuladas, Yanguinil, y Puerto Blanco. 8x8 grids, 10-meter spacing. Stillingia on the heavily-grazed Yanguinil but not on the other two. Anita put 10 Sherman and 30 MS in similar habitat, and down in a mullin she put 30 MS and 1 steel trap.

Then drove to the canyon behind Raccor's house with Navarro ranch and camped. Anita put 30 MS in bushy steppes (lark) and 2 steel traps. I put 15 cage traps baited with





canvassed terra near boulder and cliffs in the quebrada (duraznillo, cola de pichin, big bushes) and Adrian put 16 Shermans nearby.

Before dark Anita had caught one microtus in a steel trap and 1 also panther. Evening calm

Dec 10 morning overcast, my cage traps in the canyon held <sup>adult</sup> one Phyllotis (released) and one cho. longi. Adrian's 16 Shermans held 2 cho. longi and 1 old Phyllotis. Anita's traps around camp held 1 adult Reithro (steel trap in bushy stuff near the guinea pig of yesterday), cho. longi, and cho. panther. [Total catch to 4:20 8 panthers, 1 Reithro, 1 cho. longi, 1 micro cavo, 3 Phyllotis, 5 cho. longi]

Then we drove to Adrian's three grids: no trap touched except one by horses. Saw a big brown caterpillar on Stillingia. Probably a viscacha in the canyon. And a pair of peregrine-like hawks in the canyon.

When the Stillingia is burned, it root-sprouts and produces quite large leaves. Some Stillingia plants are bearing new blossoms as well as full-sized (but green) fruits. Perhaps it takes 2 years to mature the seeds. The green fruits were slightly picaute.

at 4 checked the 3 grids: nothing. Saw the rugose black beetle eating a small white 5-petalled flower. also a snake on one of the grids. Mr Navarro, owner of our campsite, says there are lots of red foxes, not ~~many~~ grey. Didn't seem to know of any marsupials.

at 7:30 rebaited my 14 cage traps with apple. Anita





put 31 MS and 8 ~~steel~~ traps up in the quebrada among boulders and lots of duraznillo, cola de pichi, etc. She also has 4 steel traps and 13 MS around camp. I have near camp 2 steel traps and 2 Shermans (In the middle of big 6-foot-diam. cola de pichi clumps where it looks like quinea pigs and Reithus are active).

Dec. 11

Night mostly overcast, and morning. My traps had nothing. Anita's around camp nothing; up in the quebrada she caught 1 Phyllotis, 1 Aboulongi, and 1 Abou pantho. Adrian caught 3 Abou longi in the quebrada. Brad camp and went to the 3 grids: nothing. Near the mallin Anita caught one more baby tucos and an Abou pantho. Everything seems to be breeding.

The locality called Puerto Blanco is the mallin south of the corner of INTA's Campo de las Fiestas and Yanquinil.

Summary: The steep evergreen is green and full of flowers. Even the "hairy grass" yanquinil properly contains bunchgrass with fresh red heads. But maybe the severe winter killed off most of the sheep. Horses are still present. Saw no rheas and everybody says they died. Saw one rhea carcass. It is unmeaning to run the 3 grids for 2 nights ( $= 64 \times 3 \times 2 = 384$  trap nights) and have not a trap to catch (except a few rolled over by wind and horses). In the much bushier area on the Comalla grade, the denseness of the bushes may have sheltered considerable area from the snow + ice. But we still have not caught a single Eligmodontia over





Hawthorn Owl pellets from 10 km Cornell  
collected Dec 10, 1984, from a cliff not collected  
earlier

①	3 Elapso	27	1 Ctenomys			
	1 abo pantha (old)					
②	1 juv Reithro	28	1 Phyllotis			
	1 ad Elapso		1 bird			
③	1 yg Reithro	29	2 Elapso			
	1 yg Phyllotis		1 Reithro			
④	1 ad Elapso	30	1 abo longi			
	1 Ctenomys		1 abo pantha			
⑤	1 abo. longi.	31	1 Reithro			
					more or less intact pellets	
⑥	2 Elapso					
⑦	1 Elapso					
	1 ad abo. pantha					
⑧	2 ad Elapso					
⑨	1 marsupial					
⑩	1 microsaia					
⑪	1 Eumomys					
⑫	1 Ctenomys					
	1 Ctenomys					
⑬	1 old Elapso					
	1 Ctenomys					
⑭	1 juv Reithro					
⑮	1 Ctenomys					
⑯	1 abo pantha					
⑰	1 Ctenomys					
⑱	1 ad. Reithro					
⑲	1 yg Reithro					
	1 old Elapso					
⑳	1 ad abo pantha					
㉑	1 ad Reithro					
㉒	1 Ctenomys					
㉓	1 ad Phyllotis					
㉔	1 bird					
㉕	1 bird					
	1 bird					
㉖	1 Ctenomys					
	1 Elapso					

above  
above pellets scraps Total

Elapso IIII IIII 15 IIII 22

abo pantha IIII 6 I 7

Reithro IIII 8 IIII 13

Phyllotis III 3 IIII 6

Ctenomys IIII IIII 9 IIII 18

abo longi II 2 IIII 6

1 Zestomys 1 IIII Zesto 4

microsaia I 1 II 3

Eumomys I 1 I 2

Bird IIII 4 - 4

52 85

width across both upper incisors of

Ctenomys: 2.96, 2.73, 3.04, 2.65, 2.73,

2.58, 3.10, 2.52, 2.72,

note absence of Corynorhinus, Antinomys alvaradensis,

Brachomys, Callicomys. Some of the pellets

with a bird also contained Sceloporus.

From the age composition, the pellets were probably  
deposited in Dec - Jan a year ago.





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Pellota collected by Adrian Morjean at  
10 km WSW Comallo, Rio Negro [= Comallo/Rio Negro]

August, 1984:

- ① 1 old Eumecurus crassus
- ② 2 adult Eligmo
- ③ 1 bird  
1 juv. Reithro
- ④ 1 ad Reithro  
1 old Eumecurus (2 shells)

late September, 1984

- ① 3 Eligmo (all adult)

Eumec 2

- ② (1 Phyllotis  
1 ad Eligmo  
1 also paucho)

Eligmo 23

Reithro 2

- ③ 4 ad Eligmo,

Phyllotis 1

- ④ 3 ad Eligmo

Tam 1

- ⑤ 2 ad Eligmo

paucho 3

- ⑥ 1 ad Eligmo

Bird 1

- ⑦ 1 Eumecurus

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1st week of November, 1984

- ① 3 ad Eligmo  
1 ad also, paucho.

- ② 4 ad. Eligmo  
1 ad. also, paucho





on this trip (Oct. 31 to present).

Home 2:30 after stopping at Cerro Gordo to inquire about stolen traps.

Dec 12 Cool, scattered clouds, windy. To Hao Hao in morning with Isabel Gallopin + AKP to measure lambs.

Many or most new shoots are now parasitized. Maybe the synchronous/cyclic blooming is a strategy to beat the parasite?

Dec 13 To Cerro Gordo at morning for <sup>precordillero</sup> traps/photos and to look for missing traps at the school. no traps. The south base of Cerro Gordo was a sea of red-brown <sup>Rumex</sup> Polygonum. Lots of Calcisolaria blooming, Senecio not yet, Pala Pechi in full bloom.

Day sunny. Most of day with groupies, then to Javier Bellati's home with Cuadrado Colorado beans, floor, counter tops. Adrian says the steppes was under snow continuously for 3 months. Daniel Gordon says there is now a steady security of aquatic birds at Estacion Punta Moreno and of other birds in general such as pecha Colorado and Cortesanas. These aquatic birds with nests laid very few eggs. The junco (tules) are almost wiped out. But he saw a horned owl. Even in October there were temperatures (in Parícut) down to  $-6^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Dec. 14 Clear.





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*akodon longipilis*

Nov. 7. Estacion Perito Moreno.

♀ 168 x 68 x 22 x 15 45 g. Ovaries huge, large pink CL. no green  
lactating, ut. scars, in stomach

♀ 167 x 64 x 22 x 15 36 g. Ovaries huge, white foam & pink  
lactating. Ut. just gave birth. CL

♂ 165 x 66 x 22  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 14  $\frac{1}{2}$  42 g. testes 10, SV 19. <sup>stomach no green</sup>  
<sup>with</sup> <sup>warms?</sup>

Nov. 11 Estacion Perito Moreno - caught 5, (72 traps), all in  
thermonny, all adult males.

Dec. 11 a female from Perito Moreno kept captive since  
Nov. 7 to test delayed implantation did not give  
birth and when sacrificed Dec. 11 had no fetuses and  
no large pink corpora lutea. Uterus was pink, 3 mm  
diam., vagina large tough. Ovaries, uterus, & other  
viscera surrounded by fat.





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Alcedo ponthorhina

RIO NEGRO,

Cerro Seaver, Dec. 7, 1984:

84-200	also, ponth.	♀	117 x 46 x 19 x 13	12½g.	Vagina open size, vt 1.8 mm no/pink CL
84-201	"	♀	147 x 56 x 20 x 14	18½g	Vag. not open. Sest. vt scale
202	"	♀	151 x 56 x 20 x 14	34.5g	Vag. closed; info large, 8 fetuses 10mm CR ± 4.0g.
203	"	♂	115 x 46 x 19 x 13	9.0g.	stom. green + black stomach 3.5g. test 6, SV 4.
204	"	♂	114 x 45 x 18½ x 13	8.7g.	test 6, SV 4
205	"	♂	127 x 50 x 20 x 14	17½g	test 11, SV 14





auliscomys microtus

Nov. 25. Captured from La Veraneda camp into. Ate dandelion flowers immediately, in preference to sunflower seeds, oats, + alfalfa pellets. Liked apple. Bit head off a white clover flower, ate the flowers, then ate the stems end-on. Was not immediately attracted to green grass-seed-heads of 3 kinds





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## Bamboo

Nov. 12 Have been putting with measurements of culms of bamboo on Cerro Otto and Glos-Glos Peninsula;

Cerro Otto culms taper more rapidly than Glos Glos.

no correlation between max. diam. and length of culm

no correlation between max. diam. and number of internodes.

Poor correlation between diam. at 1 m, " " " "

measured volumes of culms by summing volumes of internodes (using length of internodes + diam.). For 5 culms from each place, the "Critical Diameter" (= diameter which when ~~multiplied by~~ <sup>used as the diameter of cylinders of the length</sup> of the culm gives the correct volume for that culm) the Critical Diameter occurred at the following internodes:

18<sup>th</sup>, 17, 17, 15, 17, 16, 19, 18, 15, 17.

Poor correlation between max. diam. of culm and volume.

Fair " " Length " " " "

Good " " Diam. at 17<sup>th</sup> Internode " "

Poor " " " "  $\frac{1}{2}$  m " "

Good " " " " 1 m " "

Good " " " " 2 m " "

For Diam. at 1 meter above ground:

$$\text{Volume of Culm in cm}^3 = 90 \times (\text{Diam. of Culm in mm}) - 944.$$

Density of 3 Culms (large ones) from Glos Glos were 1.276, 1.171, 1.131 (= heavier than water). Fresh canes without leaves weighed with Pesola, and volume from summed internodes. Leaves not included.

	Culm	Leaves	Total	20% leaves leaf wt. includes "twigs"
Two culms + leaves	538g	133	671	
	830	139	969	14% leaves





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## Bamboo (cont.)

nov. 23. a handful of fresh leaves <sup>+ twigs</sup> from Cerro Otto on 11/14  
weighed 33.0 g and air dried to 19.0 g on 11/20 and 11/23  
 $\therefore$  dry wt. = 57.6%.

Weights of 6 pieces of <sup>2</sup> culms from Cerro Otto 11/14

#	Diam	Fresh 11/14	11/24	12/04	12/12	12/14
	15.8					
1	15.8	40 g	25 g	20.0	18.5	17.5
2	15.3	32	24	21.5	21.5	20.5
3	19.5	57	35	28.5	26.0	25.0
4	18.4	52	32	26.0	24.0	23.0
5	17.5	36	25.5	23.5	22.5	22.5
6	18.5	50	37	33.5	32.5	32.0
		267				

nov 27 Rio Castaño Overo. Walked up the hill past our  
grid and considerably beyond. Saw about 6 small  
clumps of bamboo that had flowered last year. Two  
clumps contained culms with dead flower heads  
from last year ~~and~~ as well as fresh new emerging  
flower heads on the same culm. So much for the  
drop dead theory. There were the big-leaved variety, but  
not as thick at the base as some from other places.  
Yearling culms were producing flower heads.

along the road to Lower Linda from the campsite  
at the river (Castaño Overo), just north of the corduroy  
swamp section, we found four clumps of flowering  
caves within 20 yds; 2 clumps adjacent and only  
about 3 or 4 yards apart! Drifting with dark lavender  
seed heads and conspicuous fragrant stamens;





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Nov. 21, 1985. Dead clump of the Correo, Puerto Bled.  
Compare with photos in earlier years  
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Nov. 21, 1985. Blooming clump at the campground, Puerto Bled  
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measured Bamboo clump at La Veranda. Nov. 25, 1985  
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# Bamboo (cont)

bursting out of old culms, yearling culms, short culms  
 only 2 ft. tall etc. \* Noted only 2 or 3 plants  
 with new shoots. There are small-leaved plants  
 none of them flowering specimens,

Specimens of the big-leaved bamboo: 150x13, 138x13, 120x12





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Reithrodontomys auratus

Nov. 11. Estacion Perito Moreno (2 km E). Caught 3 juv. *Reithro* last night in the lush green grass + *Berberis* between the fence (Estacion La Trocha) and the RR; 1 caught by hand at 8 pm (breed daylight) trying to enter the hole where I was setting a trap; one at 10 pm emerging from a hole where I had set two cage traps (I reached up with flashlight and pushed him into one of the traps) a juvenile; and another juvenile in an open-floor trap between 10:30 pm and 1 a.m. night clear, calm & frosty.

Ear-tagged the 2nd one (#4713), dusted it with fluorescent powder, and with UV light watched it hop slowly about 2 m through the grass. Left him for 20 min and when I returned he had gone another m. and was still visible and tranquil. At 1 a.m. he had gone another 2 m and the trail ended in a small clump of dried *Sarcocolla* stalks with a good hole about  $\frac{1}{2}$  m away. In the morning excavated about 8 m of this tunnel, but found no mouse, no nest.

Excavated 3 other burrows; about 3-4 m each, found one nest (grass), no mouse.

As captives, the 2 juveniles ~~were~~ were tranquil, ate only green grass seed heads and maybe flowering *Polygonum*, not apple or oats. When put together they immediately scuffled and went to sleep for the first time. Slept until after dark.

Nov. 12 Overnight ate enormous quantity of green grass blades, seed heads, maybe culms, cooked carrot, sampled a pickled olive  
↓  
They left culms and green seed heads.

In 24 hours in captivity the two of them produced 483 droppings =





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## Reithrodon (cont.)

1 dropping per mouse ~~per~~ every 6 minutes. They also ate some clover and a dandelion head. Air-dried for 24 hrs. the droppings weighed <sup>Confirmed day 2</sup> 4.8 g. Volume 30 cc.

Nov. 13 at 9 a.m. each of the 2 caged animals weighed 25 g. ate dandelion, not uncooked carrot. Produced 788 droppings which weighed (dry) 8.3 g. <sup>= 52 C.C. volume.</sup> They ate ~~g of green grass, clover, & dandelion greens~~

4.8 g. of air-dried droppings when soaked in water for 3 hours (mashed like fresh-cut grass) and surface-dried by rolling on newspaper weighed 18.7 g = 3.9 x

Nov. 14 2 captives produced 899 pellets (green grass, clover, + dandelion; mostly grass) in 24 hours. They ate 62.3 g. of greens (corrected for drying out by using a control cage); more than their own weight! The 899 fecal pellets when dried weighed 9.1 g;  $\times 3.9 = 35.5$  g fresh. Volume 58 cc (dry, in 25 cc graduate)

At dusk put Swiss Edam cheese, prune, and dulce de membrillo into their cage (+ greens). One of the mice immediately ate cheese. also butter, not eaten right away.

Nov. 15 RT trip. is a ♂ and weighed 29 g. RT shoulder a ♀ weighed 29 g. ate no prune, no dulce de membrillo, most of cheese, butter maybe. Fresh green grass (141 g) when dried for 3 days weighed 35 g.

Nov. 16 newspaper on floor of cage soaked up 5 g of urine. ate no mouse. The two mice ate 62.3 g of fresh green grass, clover,





and dandelion (corrected for evaporation by a control cage with grass in it). This represents  $62.3 \text{ g} \times \frac{35}{141} = 15.46 \text{ g}$  of dry grass. They produced 9.1 g of dry pellets or 35.5 g of moist pellets. Hence, they eat their weight in green grass everyday and defecate half their weight per day in moist fecal pellets, Or, eat  $\frac{1}{4}$ th their wt. per day dry grass and defecate  $\frac{1}{8}$ th.

nov 17 Overweight in addition to grass they ate apple & cheese, little if any corn meal mush, Did not eat turnip leaf.

nov. 18 Hipp<sup>♂</sup> weighed 34 g, S<sup>♀</sup> 31 g. at 9:55<sup>a.m.</sup> marked them on fur with fluorescent powder to see if it would come through in droppings. Could detect none, even 24 hrs later

nov. 21 Captives ate sunflower seeds, and bamboo shoots, and apple.

nov. 25 Shoulder<sup>♀</sup> weighed 40 g, Hipp<sup>♂</sup> weighed 39 g.

Dec 4 Shoulder<sup>♀</sup> " 48.5 g; Hipp<sup>♂</sup> weighed 50.5 g.





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## Chelomys

- Dec 3 Refugio Neumayer. 3 cage traps at a woodpile in  
Purpurella caught 2 big and 1 small Chelomys.  
between 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., by ants. Baited  
with apple + rolled oats. They had eaten all the apple.  
They ate more apple immediately (in preference to  
amaranthy rhizome). Later in cages they ate  
rolled oats. VP near the first lake was a beautiful  
long earth core 12 m long - and then it disappeared  
into a snowbank. The small Chelomys was  
an immature ♂ 35 g, surely born under the snow.
- Dec 4 Caged adults have a Concord-grape, fruity odor.  
Overnight they ate apple but not amaranthy  
rhizomes.





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ctenomys haigi

Oct. 30. The mataderos on Pampa H nemules, 5 km SW Bariles.  
Sought for Reithro here, cold cloudy. Lots of Reithro  
holes, no droppings. a few places, especially around  
rocks of ~~the~~ Koro mesquite and retamo, with tucos  
diggings, but nowhere any fresh excavations, a couple  
of places with deep clear runways maybe 6 ft long,  
probably made under snow. No earth cores. One  
place with a few piles of tucos droppings all by  
themselves on undisturbed turf (made under snow?).  
Heard no tucos but caught 2 in the first hour  
(7 P.M.), no more overnight. One of them a 125-g ♀  
early pregnant <sup>many eggs</sup>. The other a big ♂ 7217.

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